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## HITLER MAY MAKE A PERSONAL REPLY TO ROOSEVELT'S SPEECH

Special to the "Telegraph"

BERLIN, DEC. 30 (UP).—USUALLY RELIABLE UNOFFICIAL GERMAN QUARTERS UNDERSTAND THAT THE ANSWER TO PRESIDENT ROOSEVELT WILL COME DIRECTLY FROM HITLER, BUT WHETHER THE ANSWER WILL BE IN THE FORM OF A HITLER SPEECH, OR IN A SEMI-OFFICIAL OR AUTHORISED UTTERANCE ALONG LINES DIRECTED BY THE FUHRER HIMSELF, IS NOT YET KNOWN.

### GERMAN PRESS SILENT

Roosevelt Speech Unpalatable

LONDON, Dec. 30 (Reuter).—While the United States and Britain welcome President Roosevelt's great speech, the Axis Powers did not find it quite so palatable. Germany itself is carefully avoiding all discussion on the speech or any mention of it to the German people. The junior partners of the Axis are a little less reserved. Signor Gayda (Mussolini's pet mouth-piece) threatening the United States while Japanese circles intimate that they regard his statement of policy as being one of continued American help to Free China.

### T.U.C.'s Part In The War

Close Collaboration

LONDON, Dec. 30 (Reuter).—The great part played in the battle for Britain by the Trades Union Congress is the subject of a review issued to-day in London. This review shows how close and satisfactory is the collaboration between the Government and the T.U.C., which represents over 5,000,000 organised workers. Goodwill on both sides and a united determination to defeat the Nazi menace and to preserve democracy quickly swept away the initial difficulties. The whole machinery is now working smoothly.

#### Raid Relief

The T.U.C. is playing an increasingly important part in other spheres as well. For instance, more canteens, provided by the Unions for air raid relief work have been inspected by the King at Buckingham Palace, while similar canteens have done magnificent work in Coventry, Bristol and Birmingham.

### Fire Raid On London

German Account

LONDON, Dec. 30 (Reuter).—Streets and factories are mentioned as military objectives by the German radio, commenting on Sunday night's air raid on London. The announcer said that as visibility was good, important successes were obtained. Many huge fires are stated to have been caused, and an uninterrupted series of explosions, said the announcer, could be heard all over the city. He added that although the attack was only of a short duration, it was pressed home by strong formations and "came as a surprise so that the Luftwaffe sustained no losses."

### Food Problem In Unoccupied France

VICHY, Dec. 30 (Reuter).—The Vichy Government is establishing a Central Research Bureau to deal with the urgent problem of food supplies, states "Havas." It will be under the direction of the Inspector-General of Food Supplies and will work in conjunction with a scientific committee studying products to remedy malnutrition.

### Greeks Capture New Positions

LONDON, Dec. 30 (Reuter).—Fortified positions to the west of Pogradets have been wrested from the enemy and despite bad weather the action has yielded good results all along the front, stated the Athens radio to-night, quoting a communique of the Greek Press Ministry.

### Leahy En Route To Vichy

VICHY, Dec. 30 (Reuter).—Admiral William Leahy, United States Ambassador to the French Government at Vichy, has arrived at Lisbon on the U.S. cruiser Tuscaloosa, states the "Havas" agency.

## Income Tax For The Straits Settlements

SINGAPORE, Dec. (UP).—The Straits Settlements and the Federated Malay States, one of the few parts of the British Empire without any income tax, are likely to toe the line as a result of the recommendations of a joint committee advocating a war tax designed to raise £2,500,000 to be presented to the Empire Government. Incomes under £575 would be exempted, and the scale graduated until the tax would be eight per cent. on incomes above £2,400 yearly.

Pending issuance of the answer mentioned, German authorized sources, in reply to the correspondent's questions, refused any kind of reaction, merely saying, "We have no instructions and have absolutely no comment to make."

It is learned that Ribbentrop is now studying the Roosevelt speech personally.

The "Telegraph" Wishes its Readers a very Happy and Prosperous New Year

### RAINFALL RECORD MISSED

Colony's 117 Inches

With the sun shining fitfully through the clouds on the last day of the year, Hongkong is narrowly failing to beat a 50-year-old rainfall record which at one time seemed to be "in the bag."

The total rainfall to date for 1940 is 117.69 inches. The highest total for any one recorded year is 119.715 in 1889. Thus by 2.025 inches, a margin that will probably never be so narrow in a single lifetime, the record has been missed.

Looking back at the last four months we find that the total rainfall crept up in this way: the beginning of September, 109.10 inches, the beginning of October 112.69 inches, the beginning of November 113.07 inches to the beginning of December 117.59 inches from which it increased by but a fraction.

The average rainfall for the year is 55.15 inches. After reaching the huge figure at the beginning of September of 109.10 inches compared to the average figure for that time of 67.35 inches, rain had merely to fall at an average rate and the record would have been easily exceeded. As it was, December was almost dry, an event that has been recorded only twice.

### American Chemist Shot Dead

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"  
MANILA, Dec. 30 (UP).—A report to the Manila Tribune from Danapia, Occidental Negros Province, says that Mr. Addison Kenney, 35, a chemist from California and employed by the North Negros Sugar Central was shot and killed to-day by Felix Vasquez, 40, a sugar planter, following a quarrel over a sugar transaction.

Roosevelt Delighted  
WASHINGTON, Dec. 30 (UP).—President Roosevelt's Secretary, Mr. Stephen Early, said the President is "tremendously pleased" with the response to his broadcast proclaiming an "emergency as serious as war itself," and pledging greater material aid to Britain.

However, he did not comment on the angry Axis reaction to the speech or the Berlin report that Hitler might answer President Roosevelt's broadcast of the Axis. The President followed up his pledge regarding more aid to Britain by inviting Mr. Arthur Purcell, head of the British Purchasing Commission to a White House luncheon conference, which was also attended by Mr. Henry Morgenthau, Secretary of the Treasury.

Mr. Early said that the President had received 600 messages within 40 minutes of the conclusion of the speech, adding that "100 to 1 they generally approved of the President's pronouncement."

Potential Enemies  
NEW YORK, Dec. 30 (Reuter).—"By bluntly announcing that he regards the German-Italian-Japanese pact as directed semi-officially against the United States, the President has put all the three countries on notice that he regards them as potential, if not actual, enemies."

This sentence is contained in the "New York Times" editorial on President Roosevelt's talk in which it is also stated that the overwhelming majority of the country will agree wholeheartedly with his central thesis that victory of the Axis Powers would mean a "new and terrible era."

Treated With Reserve  
LONDON, Dec. 30 (Reuter).—The Lyons Journal to-night traces President Roosevelt's speech with great care. Comment was that the speech was "as important as had been expected" and that the intensity of the statement that nothing would stop American aid to Britain "goes beyond the limits of official style and is certain to arouse passionate comment all over the world."

Italian Comment  
LONDON, Dec. 30 (Reuter).—"Roosevelt pretends that America is menaced by the Axis," says the "Giornale d'Italia," adding that the Axis Powers have been tolerant up to now, but there is a limit to tolerance.

The war, says the newspaper, is being fought to liberate Europe from British domination. It asserts that Britain cannot win the war and that American help would be "sheer waste and not without some risk to herself."

Japanese Criticism  
TOKYO, Dec. 30 (Reuter).—The assertion that President Roosevelt's policy is driving the United States closer to war is made by the Japanese newspaper, "Yomiuri Shimbun." President Roosevelt's statement that he believed that the Axis Powers were not going to win the war was dismissed by the "Yomiuri Shimbun" as "utterly irresponsible" and the newspaper adds that whatever the situation may be in the coming year, the responsibility must be borne partly by the United States.

## A SAFE HAVEN FOR THE LITTLE ONES

A number of evacuee toddlers from the bombed areas of London have found safety at the L.C.C. Ashford Nursery in Middlesex. The nursery is equipped with shelters where the children can sleep and have their meals, if necessary. In this picture we see some of the babies being conducted to the shelter.



## JAPANESE DEMANDS ARE MINIMUM FOR EXISTENCE

Special to the "Telegraph"

STOCKHOLM, Dec. 30 (Reuter).—Japan does not intend to aggravate the present situation in the Pacific provided that her own existence is not gravely threatened, said Dr Itoh, the Japanese Minister of Information, to the correspondent of the Swedish newspaper, "Social Democratic" to-day.

## Left And Right Apply Pressure Bulgaria Tries To Steer Middle Way

SOFIA, Dec. 30 (Reuter).—Bulgaria will not depart her avowed policy of strict neutrality, declared M. Popoff, the Foreign Minister, in the Bulgarian Parliament to-day.

M. Popoff emphasised that there are no current causes requiring a change in the neutrality policy which has been clearly enunciated.

This statement was made during a debate on the budget in which an ex-Minister had stated that the Bulgarian people had the right to ask the Government to clarify the foreign policy because they would defend Bulgaria with money and property.

Left Wing Elements  
M. Popoff also referred apparently to the propaganda of the Bulgarian Left Wing elements favouring closer collaboration with Russia. He said that the Bulgarian Government was resolutely determined not to listen to the Right or Left outside the National Assembly.

It is strongly rumoured in the Soviet Legation in Sofia that changes of personnel are imminent. Colonel Maslloff, the new Military Attache, arrived recently. In view of the recent increase of Communist propaganda in Bulgaria, such changes are believed to be important.

## CHINESE ARMY STRONGER

MOSCOW, Dec. 30 (Reuter).—"The fighting ability of the Chinese Army has increased in the past year," declares the Soviet paper "Red Star," which attributes the increase to the opening of the Burma Road and the development of war industries in the south-west provinces.

Pointing out that Japan's desire to end the so-called Sino-Japanese incident has not been fulfilled, the Soviet paper foresees the continuation of a long war "exhaustive for Japan."

## NO "TELEGRAPH" TO-MORROW

To-morrow, being New Year's Day, the "Hongkong Telegraph" will not publish. Publication will resume on Thursday, January 2.

## LATEST

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## Red Army Takes Former C's-in-C.

MOSCOW, Dec. 30 (Reuter).—The former Commander-in-Chief of the Lithuanian, Estonian and Latvian armies have been appointed Lieutenant-Generals in the Red Army. These officers are Generals Vitkuskas, Jonson and Klavins respectively. Sixteen other officers of the armies of the former Baltic states have been appointed Major-Generals in the Red Army. Lithuanian, Estonian and Latvian were incorporated in the Soviet Union last August.

## Arms Loan To China & Greece, Possibles

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"  
WASHINGTON, Dec. 30 (UP).—Mr. Henry Morgenthau, Secretary of the Treasury, indicated to-day that President Roosevelt might extend arms loan and lease plan to China and Greece as well as Britain. "The proposal might apply to anybody," he declared.

## Frankfurt Raided

LONDON, Dec. 30 (Reuter).—One of the objectives raided by British bombers in Germany on Sunday night was a military objective in the Frankfurt area, it was learnt in London to-night.

## Chengtu 'Drome Raided By Japanese Aircraft

Special to the "Telegraph"

A JAPANESE NAVAL AIR BASE, Dec. 31. (Domel).—Twenty-nine grounded Chinese aeroplanes were set on fire and 11 others damaged by bombing from a combat formation of Japanese Naval aircraft swooped down upon the Chengtu aerodrome on Monday afternoon, the Press Bureau of the Japanese Fleet in Central China announced in a communique last night.

Three of 18 craft set on fire were large transports or bombers and the remainder were smaller combat and reconnaissance machines while those damaged were smaller craft. Despite violent anti-aircraft fire, all Japanese machines' crews returned to their bases unharmed, the communique stated. A raid was also carried out against Enshih, Chinese military base south-west of Ichang in Hunan Province where three fires were started.

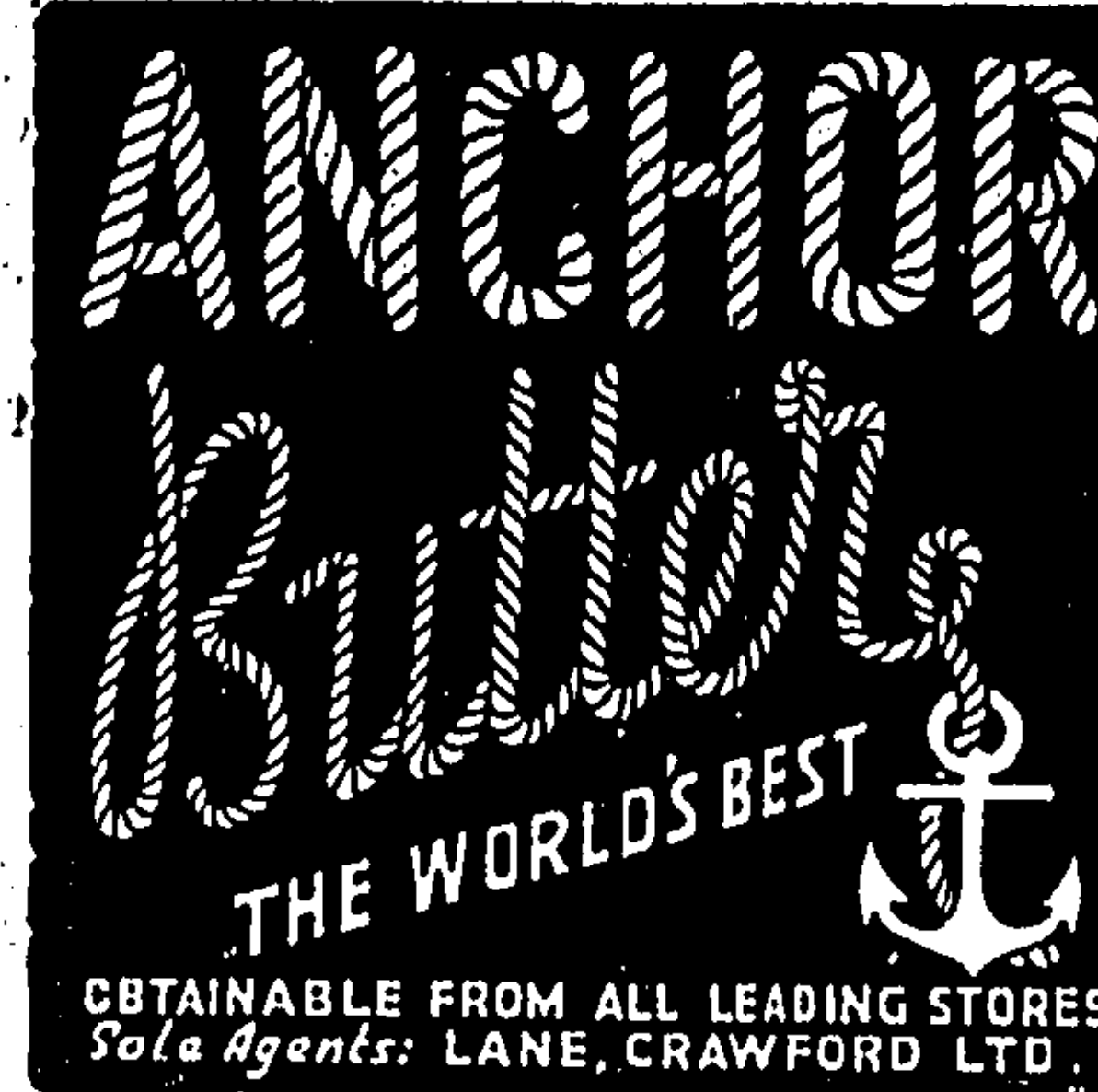
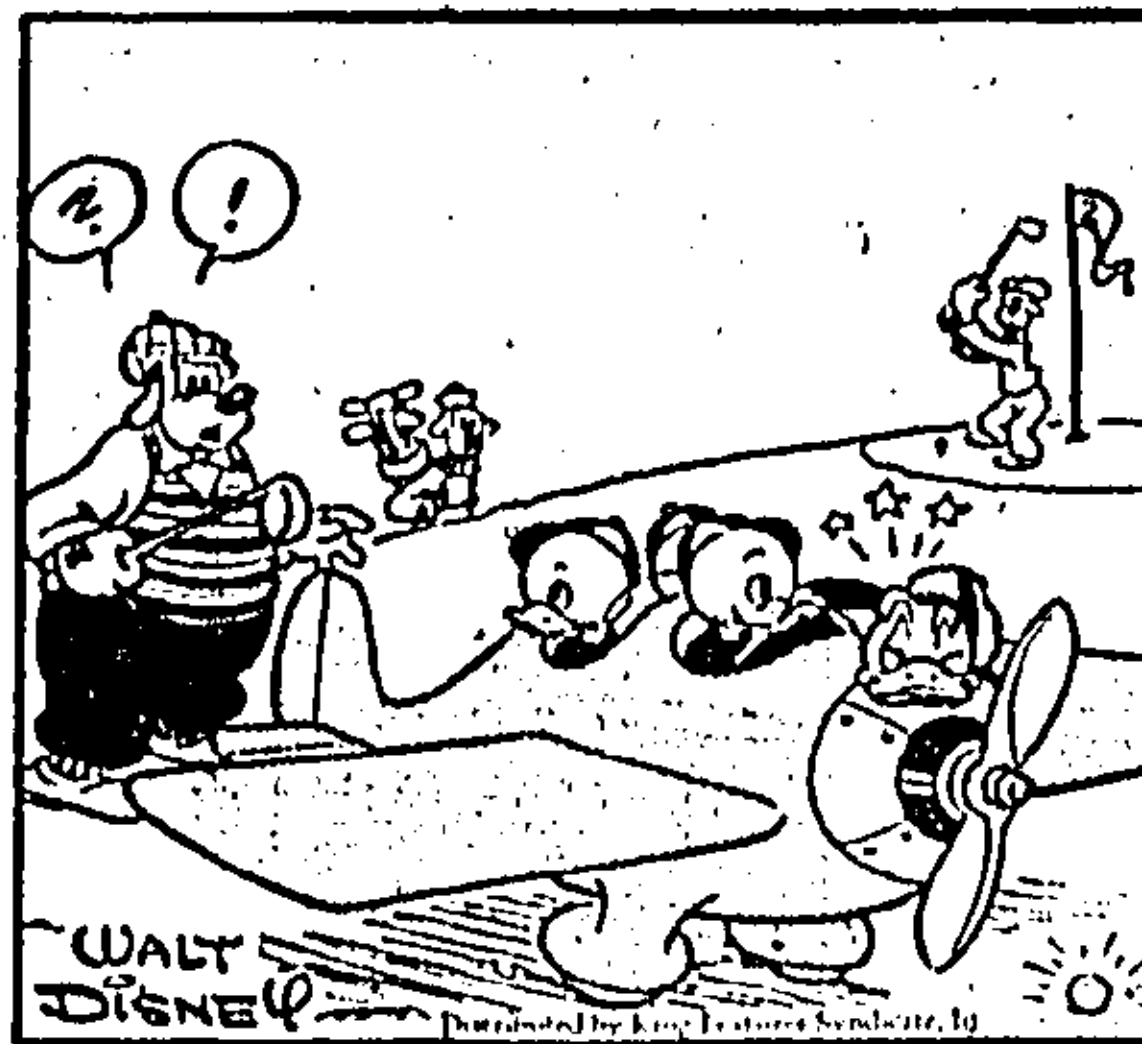
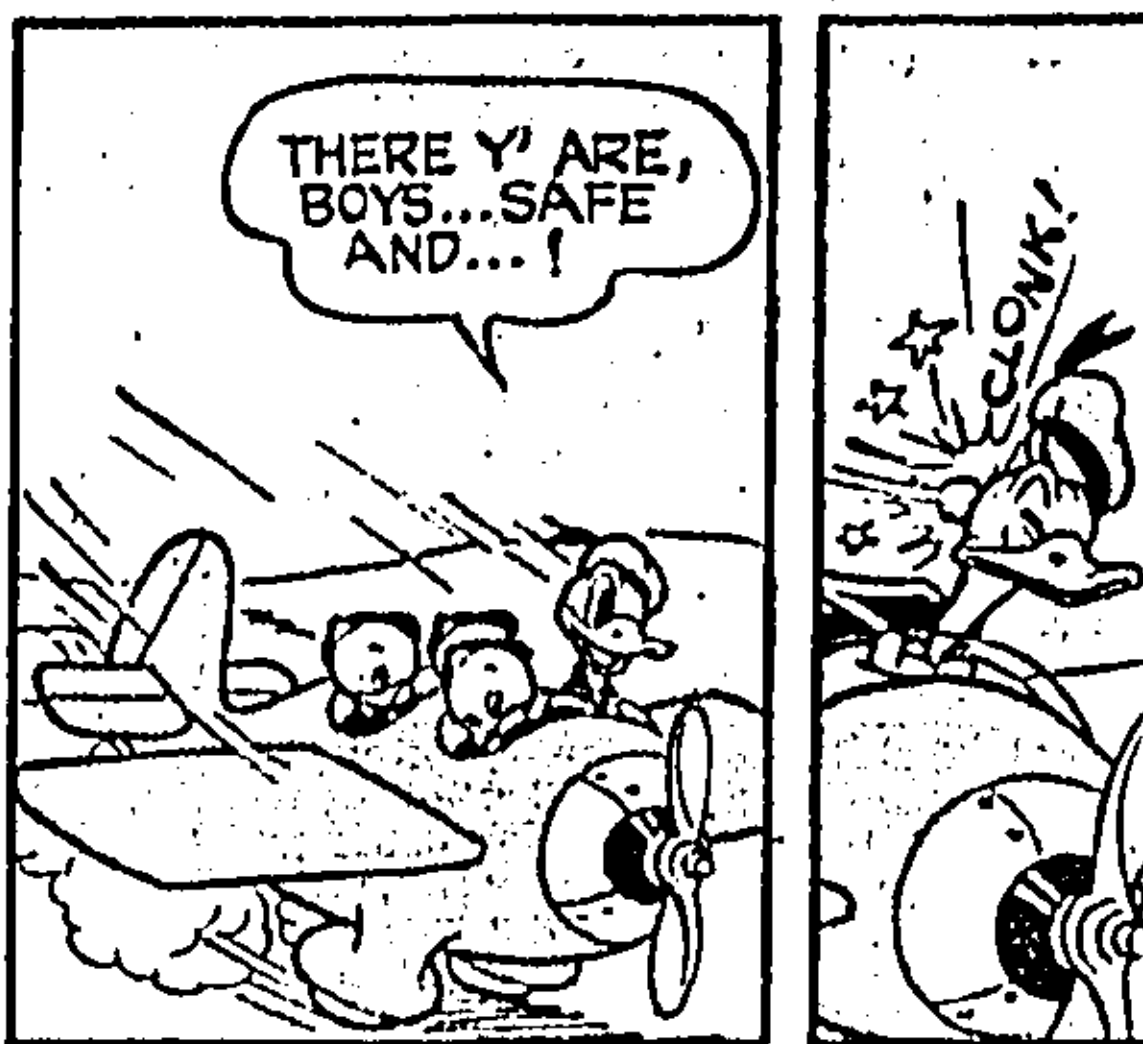
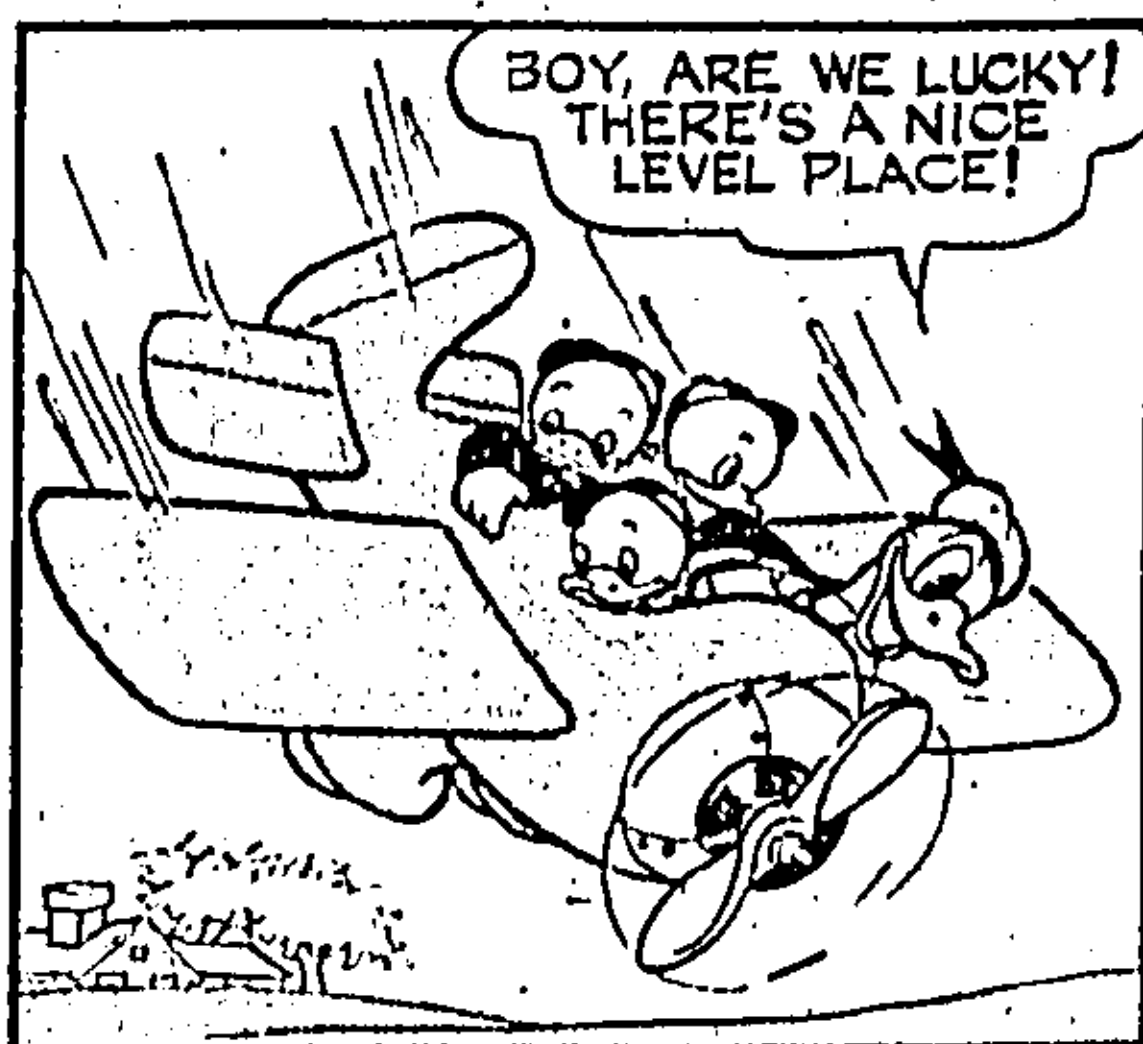
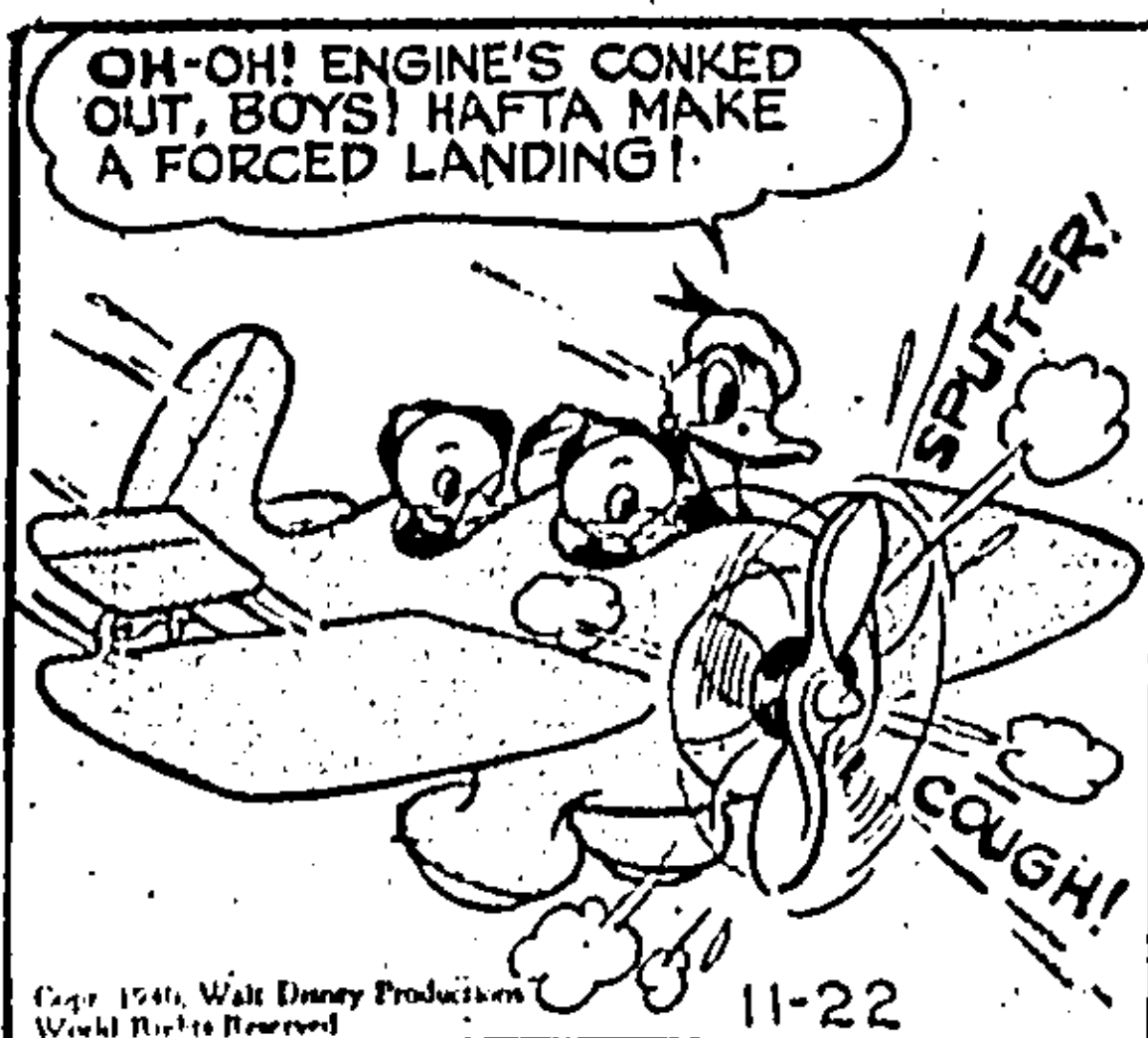




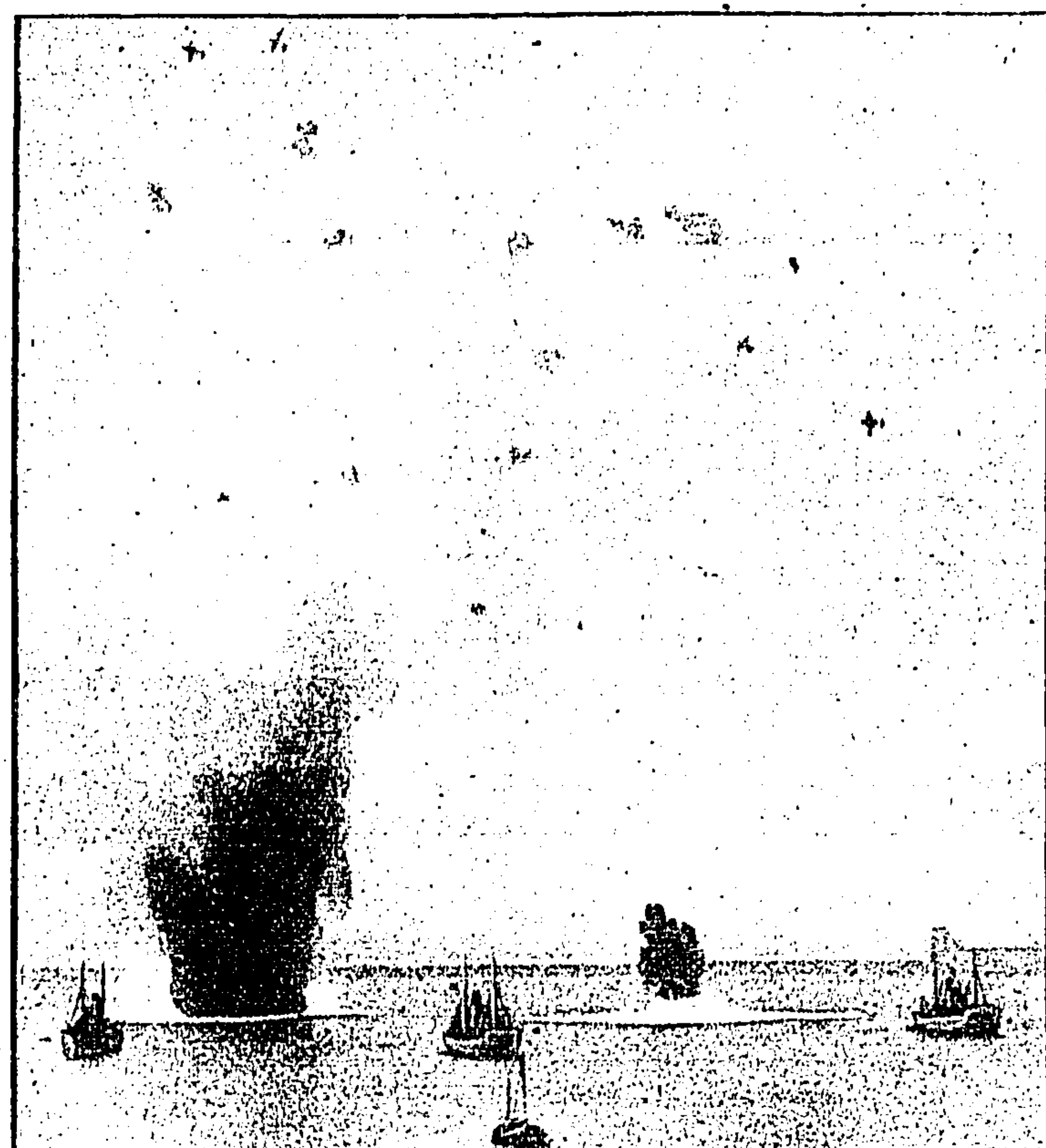


# DONALD DUCK

By Walt Disney



## MAGAZINE PAGE



A DRAMATIC picture of the Nazi mass raid in Dover Harbour. The enemy planes—25 were brought down—can be seen turning away after releasing their bombs, all of which missed their objective.

### Postal Workers In Raids

Taking up the defence of post office workers against the complaints of delay in the services and of the closing of post offices during the period of air raid warnings, Mr T. J. Hodgson, general secretary of the Union of Post Office Workers, said recently that the post office had been faced with a problem of understaffing as well as air raids. Many post office workers had been called to the Colours, and it would not have been forgotten that on a recent occasion the King commented on the number of postmen now in the ranks.

Thousands of post office workers had been working 12 hours a day, Sundays included, for a long time. Apart from the exceptional cases in which men had lost their homes entirely there were others who could not get home, night after night. Their duty ended at the time the enemy began. Post office workers were not afraid to do their duty, and more than their duty, but many places, like sorting offices, had glass roofs, with only wire netting protection, and the work of increasing the protection took time. Telephonists, holding the vital communications of the country, could be fairly described as in the front line. They were doing splendid work. The telegraph service was snowed under, as well it might be.

Mr Hodgson said that the closing of the public counters on the receipt of air raid warnings was a departmental regulation. Post office workers had not asked for preferential treatment over the rest of the workers shouldering the burden in these days.

### Morale with Jam On It

BY RITCHIE CALDER

WE are going to have morale with jam on it. For Vitamin B<sub>1</sub>, which will appear in our bread, by Government orders, is the "anti-jitter vitamin."

Lack of it impairs our will to resist and our fighting efficiency. It leads to nervous debility and lethargy.

"People suffering from even a minor degree of deficiency of Vitamin B<sub>1</sub> in their diet," says Sir John Orr in "Feeding the People in War-time," "have no stomach for a fight."

That was true of the troops who capitulated at Kut. After desperate fighting General Townsend's troops were invested at Kut.

At first they accomplished great feats of courage, but as the siege progressed they became afflicted with beri-beri, due to lack of Vitamin B<sub>1</sub> in their food, and with it came deterioration.

Its progress is described in a saying in the East: "It is better to walk than to run; it is better to stand than to walk; it is better to lie than to stand; it is better to sleep than to wake; it is better to die than to live."

That might be a doctor's diagnosis of the phases of Vitamin B<sub>1</sub> deficiency.

#### B<sub>1</sub> PEP

Similarly, the collapse of the Italians at Caporetto in October, 1917, was partly a question of bad feeding. Their rations were grossly inadequate, and so was their Vitamin B<sub>1</sub>.

Now that does not mean that the chemist can give us courage according to a prescription and it does not mean that we can swallow Vitamin B<sub>1</sub> as Popeye, the Sailor, swallows his canned spinach and then shout: "Where's that tiger?"

According to reports that is what the Germans have been trying to do with their troops. They have been giving them "neat" Vitamin B<sub>1</sub> before they went into battle.

But what this new development means is that the population will be guaranteed, through a staple article of diet, the Vitamin B<sub>1</sub> of which they might be deprived through lack

of the variety of foodstuffs from which they derived it in peace-time. It means that our natural courage and will to win will not be sapped away through any deficiency in our diet. And it is not a dope.

#### WHOLEMEAL

We could get it naturally if we eat wholemeal bread, but about 95 per cent. of the population are hopelessly addicted to white. And to get white bread the millers have to remove the bran and germ of the wheat which are rich in Vitamin B<sub>1</sub>.

Now they are putting back what they took out, but in war-time that has its advantages. White flour keeps indefinitely. Wholemeal flour does not. So, we can have white flour.

Furthermore, we need the bran and millers' offal as essential feeding stuffs for our cattle. In other words, we can have our cake and they can eat it.

The Vitamin B<sub>1</sub>, which will be added to the flour before it reaches the bakers, is known as "ancurin" because it is good for the nerves. It is a pure crystalline substance for the manufacture of which a factory has been established.

Concentrated Vitamin B<sub>1</sub> in this form was first produced in America in 1935. The Germans also evolved it, and so did two British biochemists Drs. Todd and Bergel.

For four years, scientists under the direction of Professor E. G. Dodds, world-famous expert, have been working on it, perfecting it so that it could be added to the flour at the mill and sent out, with its mineral phosphate, calcium, to the bakers ready for the dough-mixer.

#### JUST A BIT

Only tiny quantities are required. Maybe they have not disclosed the amount because, in terms of a loaf (which looks the same and tastes the same), it would be so infinitesimal that the housewife would say: "Well, we'll have to take your word for it."

But she can rest assured that, under strict supervision, it will be there to provide us with a crumb of confidence and a crust of courage.

Furthermore, all our digestions will be the better for it. It will help our hearts and prevent at least some of our headaches. If you want to be a stout-hearted fellow you can B<sub>1</sub>.

### This Spy's Job Is

SHE is a very beautiful blonde, old enough to be sophisticated, young enough to be glamorous. She haunts the most expensive hotels in Bucharest, talks Rumanian with a slight German accent, and sometimes whispers in quiet corners to bullet-headed Germans.

She looks like a Nazi agent, and acts like one. Her name is Edith von Ohler. And she makes no secret of the fact that she is a Nazi agent.

But Edith is different. She may glean valuable information as a spy. Far more important is her job of "giving away" secrets. She does not make eyes at high-powered Rumanian officers. Edith prefers cosy little business chats with editors of leading Rumanian papers.

She offers them articles: Secrets of the Siegfried Line, How Germany is Winning the War, and so on. Good articles, too, and all free.

Edith von Ohler calls herself a journalist, but she is in fact one of the leaders in Dr Goebbels' propaganda drive into the Balkans.

Not only do the Nazis give away articles and photographs; they buy up whole newspapers to put over their propaganda. German newspapers are on sale at specially reduced prices.

The Italians are not far behind. There was an Italian named Colvano who brought the corpse of his wife to Greece and asked permission to erect a church in her memory.

The pious Greeks readily gave permission. Colvano built a magnificent place, called it the Church of St Catherine, and worshipped at the tomb of his wife every day.

Then people began having trouble with their wireless sets. Investigations were made and the "church" proved to be nothing less than a fully-equipped short-wave wireless station.

In Belgrade, Jugoslavia, Germans fitted

up the central telephone exchange. There is good reason to believe they installed secret listening-in apparatus, so that every telephone conversation in Belgrade can be overheard by Gestapo agents who have taken over a certain house in the suburbs.

Another fertile ground for Nazi intrigues, bribery and corruption among state officials are rife. Wages are so poor that civil servants are expected to make up their pay by some other means. The Commander-in-Chief of a Balkan Army is considered highly paid. Yet he only gets £7 per week—£360 a year.

General Metaxas, virtual dictator of Greece, lives in a flat over a shop. Even ex-King Carol of Rumania, most ostentatious of monarchs, had to find various ways of supplementing his income, and his sister kept a greengrocer's shop just behind the royal palace.

Although politicians are painfully liable to be assassinated, there are always plenty of candidates for parliament, because of the power it gives, and the wire-pulling that can be done.

After all, an M.P. needs extra income. In Jugoslavia, for instance, an M.P. visiting his constituency thinks nothing of having to buy a round of drinks for 500 people at a time, which make rather a hole in his monthly salary of £45!

All this seems a most fertile ground for Axis intrigues. But there is one great stumbling-block. There are many different nationalities in the Balkans, and each nation is fiercely jealous of the independence. There are Slavs, Czechs, Greeks, Turks, Macedonians, and most of the trouble in the Balkans is because some of these countries have a minority of other races under their domination.

For generations these minorities have been fighting for independence. Any attempt by Nazis or Italians to overrun the Balkans would cause even greater revolts.

That is why Hitler, for all his temptations, dare not step directly into the Balkans. He knows he would step into a nest of hornets.

### GIVING AWAY SECRETS

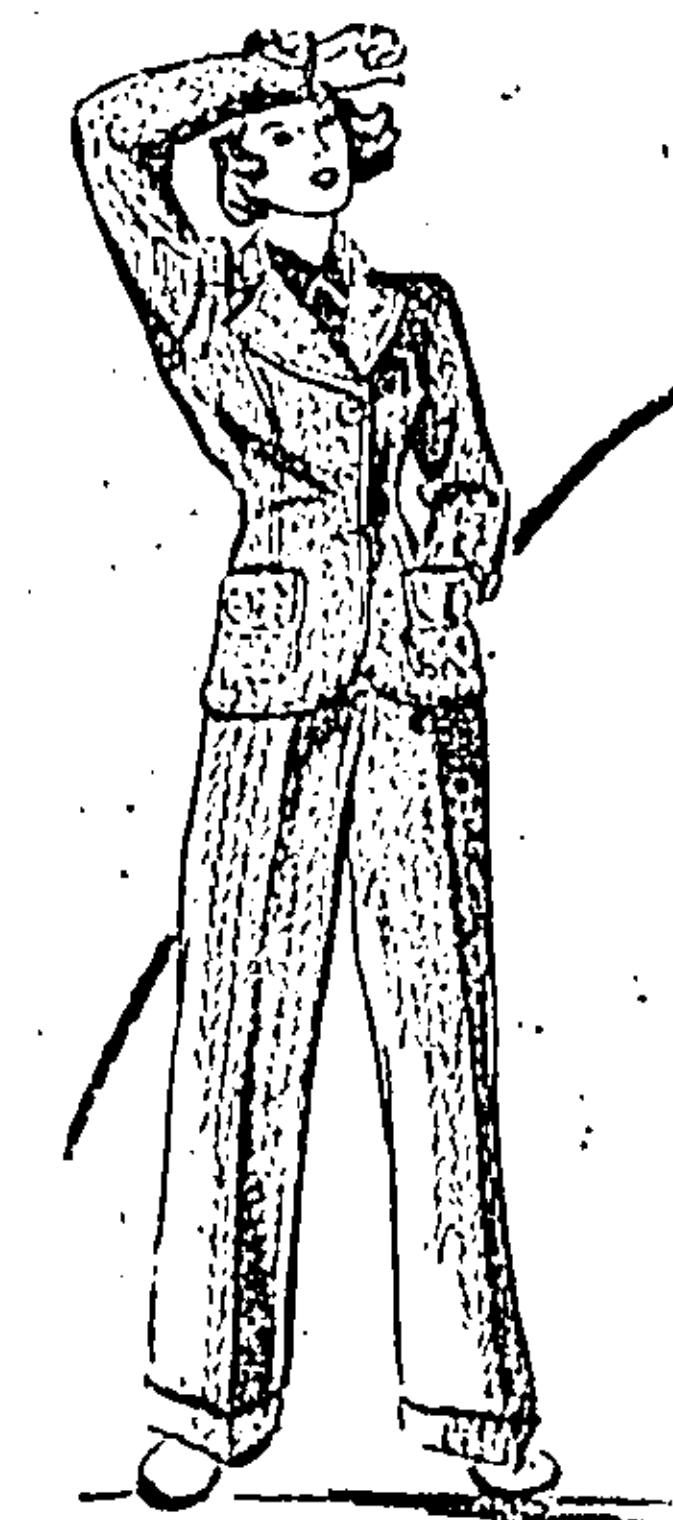
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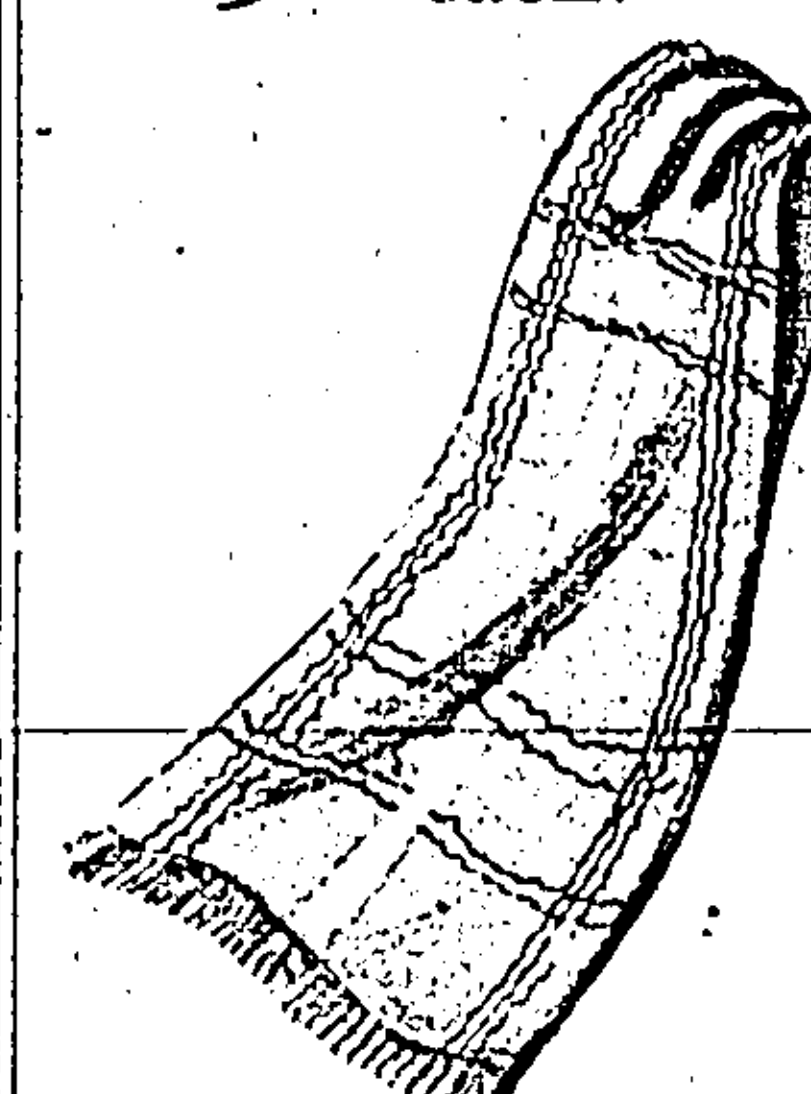
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## PLEDGE & A WARNING

PRESIDENT Roosevelt has struck another mighty blow for the anti-Totalitarianism cause. He has told the three Axis Powers—Germany, Italy and Japan—in firm unequivocal terms, that the United States is prepared to go any lengths, should the necessity arise, to prevent world domination by these aggressor nations. In the meantime, he has promised Britain—and her Empire, now engaged in a life and death struggle with a common enemy, expanded aid to the limit, short of war.

The cabled reports of the President's speech do not provide details of the proposed increased aid, but they are not difficult to guess. The Marquis of Lothian, before his untimely death, made it clear to Mr. Roosevelt that Britain would need financial assistance in the not distant future; there is little doubt that this will be forthcoming. Secondly, the President has made it known that he is closely studying ways and means of speeding up aeroplane supplies to Britain, and one suggestion, which apparently is being seriously contemplated, is that for pooling the resources of the American motor industry to provide for 500 planes a day. Thirdly there is the proposal, now being fully discussed in Washington, to hand over to Britain, Danish and Norwegian merchant ships tied up in American ports. Fourthly the President is studying the possibility of making available to the British navy additional destroyers for convoy work.

Thus the British nation can look forward to the new year with renewed hope. President Roosevelt yesterday let the world know that Britain's fight was America's fight, and though he pledged the nation that no American soldiers would be sent to Europe, he pointedly referred to the fact that the U.S. fleet was in the Pacific, inferring that it would be prepared to act against further aggression in the Far East.

Mr. Roosevelt's speech, in fact, was a highly stimulating new year message. While free of threats, it revealed a clear determination on

## THEIR JOB IS BEING BOMBED

I HAVE just been listening at headquarters of Coastal Command, R.A.F., to the almost incredible story of the most bombed men in Britain.

These men lead lives more amazing than any others in all the activities that combine to give Britain's Air Force that well-proven superiority, man for man, machine for machine, over the numerically stronger enemy.

They are the "Three Men in a Boat"—a little yellow armoured target motor-boat—who provide our bombers with the nearest thing to a real, live human target to be found anywhere.

Some would spectacularly call them the "Suicide Squad." But these men laugh at that description of such a taken-for-granted, everyday job.

You find them all round the coasts of Britain—wherever there is a sea target range for our bombers.

Their boats, painted yellow, so as to stand out well as targets, as they are smaller than any hostile craft, our bombers have to hit, take up their positions on the ranges when the daily practice times come round.

The three men are snug inside, under three and a half tons of armour. Colossal weight for so tiny a craft. But, even so, they wear crash-helmets and ear-protectors.

The armour covers the wheel house, engine room and hull. The rest of the boat is packed with a secret buoyant material to render it unsinkable.

Not one has ever yet been sunk. But several have been overturned by the force of the bombs.

The three men, specially trained to escape from their target in such emergencies, get clear till the craft rights itself, or is righted.

Then back they climb again, and carry on as usual.

The bombs weigh eleven pounds each. But despite their smallness they are sufficiently powerful when they register a direct hit to dent the thick armour plate of this powerfully protected man-controlled target and to give the crew inside an uncomfortable crack.

The percentage of hits is just as uncomfortable high, and has gone up enormously since the outbreak of war. But the practice bombers don't have it all their own way. The three men in the little yellow boat give them a run for their money.

They streak along at twenty knots, turning, zig-zagging, watching the bomber course and dodging it, pretending to be a hostile motor torpedo-boat, the smallest and nimblest objective our aircraft ever have to hit.

Securing a direct hit on a crash-diving U-boat caught by surprise, is in comparison child's play.

Many a bomb-aimer who has sent a U-boat to its doom has a friendly thought in the moment of success for the sailors and hard-bitten crew men in a boat who gave him practice.

There is not a single act of courage. It is just a routine incident in the daily round. And none of them ever makes a song about.

So much so that not one person I've met has ever heard of these silent heroes who pit their speed and armour against the precision bomb-aimers of the R.A.F.

There are many such crews and such boats. They belong to the Marine Craft Section of the R.A.F. and are operated by Coastal Command.

The crews receive the ordinary pay of their ranks. Their extraordinary job is contributing immensely to the deadly skill of British bombers.

And these bombers are now finding their mark in relentless and incessant raids on enemy objectives from Bergen to Brest and from Gih. to the Red Sea.

## Fine Reduced By £14,500

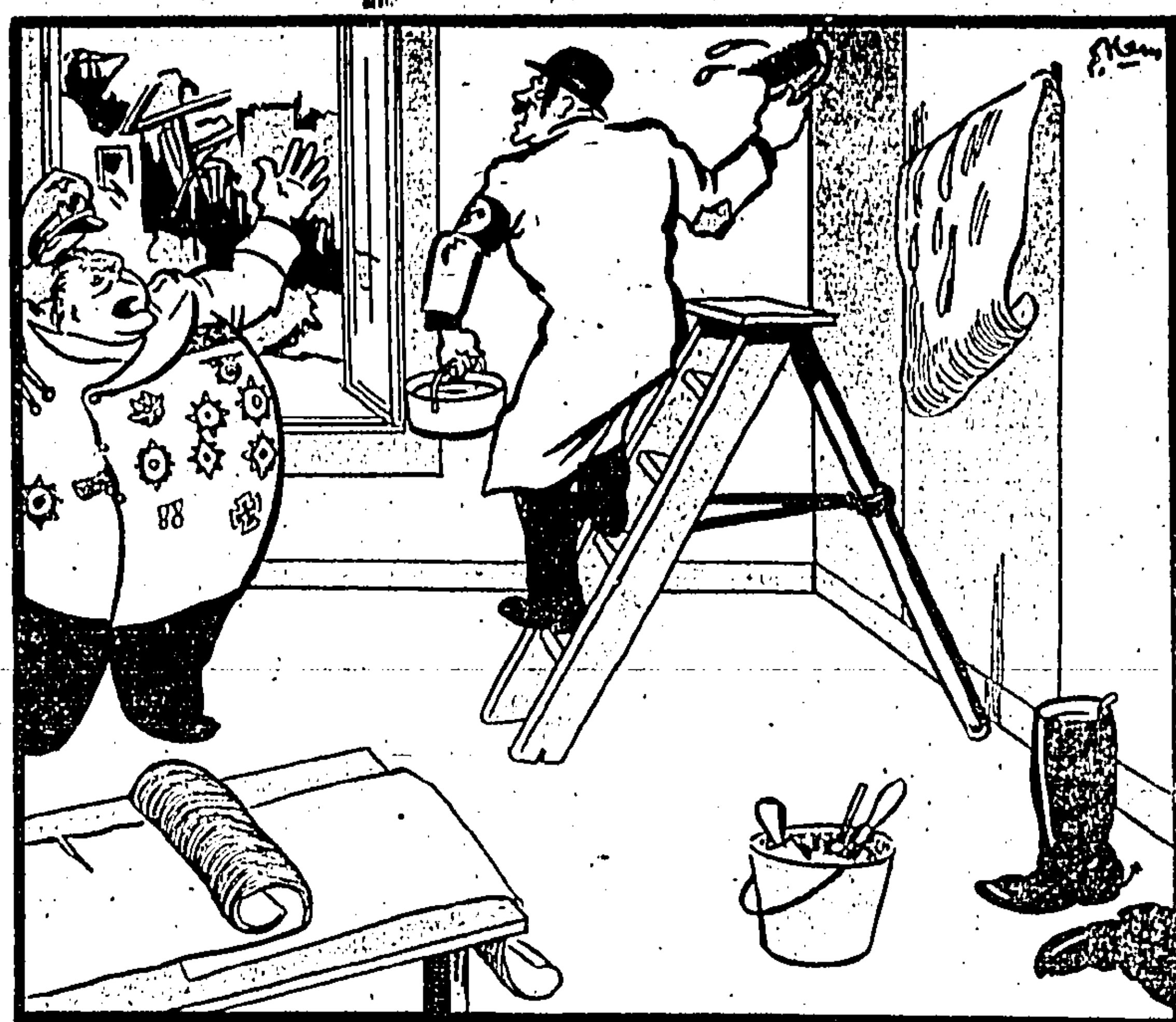
A fine of £15,000 and £25 costs which had been imposed by Sir Robert Dammitt at Bow Street Police Court was reduced to a fine of £500, and no order was made as to costs, by the London Sessions Appeals Committee recently.

The applicant was Leon Pendell Argenti, a company director, and he had been convicted of failing to offer two bars of gold and 400 sovereigns, valued together at £7,200, for sale to the Treasury.

Mr. L. A. Byrne, supporting the magistrate's decision, said that just before war broke out Argenti went to Belgium. He resigned from the directorship of an English company. He returned to this country on June 27, and in subsequent correspondence disclosed that he had been in possession of the gold.

On behalf of Argenti, Sir Patrick Hastings, K.C., said that a most unfortunate miscarriage of justice had taken place, for which no one was to blame. Argenti's father was an Englishman, and the applicant was educated at Marlborough and Oxford.

the part of the American President to support, both morally and physically, the cause of democracy, and it can be regarded as a solemn warning to the Axis alliance. Hitler and his partners would do well to note Mr. Roosevelt's renunciation of appeasement until aggressive Totalitarianism has been obliterated from the world.



HITLER:— "I am practising again... There will be plenty of work for paper-hangers after the war..."

## 15 YEARS FOR SINGING

The third chapter in an interesting eye-witness narrative of how the Nazis occupied a part of the United Kingdom—the Channel Islands. Told by a native to

**DUDLEY BARKER**

## "GOD SAVE THE KING"

Machine-Gun  
In Their Boat

THE Germans wasted no time in establishing their hold on Guernsey.

They occupied the island on Sunday, June 30, without many of the islanders knowing they were there. But on Monday, and the first full day of their occupation, they saw to it that the whole island knew all about it.

As Fred Hockey said—Fred Hockey, the harbour signaller from St Peter Port who later escaped to England to tell this story—they made a thorough job of it, once they started.

"Everybody who could hurried down to St Peter Port that morning to see what was happening," he said, "and we found that the Germans had taken over all the chief hotels.

"They set up their headquarters in the Royal and the Channel Islands hotels.

"The officers were quartered in the Old Government House Hotel, and the N.C.O.'s in Moore's Hotel. Private soldiers were billeted in unoccupied houses all over the island. None was billeted on the island families.

Newspapers

Given Away

"Altogether there were about 1,000 German troops on the island, and a few sailors came later to take over the harbour.

"The first thing we knew that Monday morning was that the island's two newspapers, the 'Press' and the 'Star,' were being distributed free.

"They kept that up for three days, and their front pages were covered with the new German regulations for Guernsey. Later on, the papers started carrying a German lesson every day, though I don't think many of the islanders took the trouble to learn it.

"I got a copy of the first day's papers, and started to read the regulations. There were a lot of them, but the principal ones were these:

"All weapons—guns, ammunition, even daggers and bayonets—had to be handed in at once to the Royal Hotel.

"IT WAS FORBIDDEN TO SING 'GOD SAVE THE KING.' THE PENALTY FOR DOING THAT WAS 15 YEARS' PENAL SERVITUDE."

"Nobody was to be outside his home at night between the hours

of 10 p.m. and 6 a.m. Later on, as the nights grew longer, those hours were extended.

"All clocks had to be altered by an hour, to fit in with German time, by which everything on the island was run from then onwards.

"No fishermen were allowed to leave the port, but three weeks later that was altered, and they were allowed to go out to a limit of two miles from the shore.

"One or two fishermen broke that rule, and they got a shot across their bows as a warning, and then a launch went out to bring them back.

"Afterwards, their boats were hauled up on the beach for the duration of the war.

"What is more, if three or more fishermen went out in one boat, they had to take a German sentry with them, and he sat with a machine-gun across his knees.

"Other regulations published on that first day said that all motor transport was stopped, except for absolute necessities.

The chief tradesmen, for instance, were allowed to use vans for deliveries. All petrol had to be handed to the Germans at once.

No Talking

In Groups

"There was to be no talking in groups, and severe penalties would be imposed for that.

"NOBODY WAS ALLOWED TO BUY ANOTHER MAN A DRINK IN A PUB. EVERY MAN HAD TO PAY FOR HIS OWN. ALL SALE OF SPIRITS WAS BANNED, AND THE SPIRITS WERE TO BE HANDED OVER TO THE GERMANS.

"All larders had to be declared of stores of sugar, tea, bacon and any tinned food. It had to be handed over to the Germans at the Channel Islands Hotel.

"Rationing, as under the British rule, was continued (it was soon made much more on, the papers started carrying only one small piece of soap a

as usual, and any shops that had shut were compelled to re-open.

"There were a lot more regulations, but those were the principal ones. I finished reading them, and then I thought I had better send my son Harold down to the Royal with our shotgun.

Given Back

His Sword

"He found two German sentries outside, with fixed bayonets. An officer sat in a room inside, with a pile of weapons of all kinds that the islanders had brought in.

"One man even brought an old sword, but he was told he could

keep that. Harold threw our gun on the pile, and went out quickly.

"I happened to have quite a bit of food stored away in my house, and I decided to risk not handing it over. I was lucky, and they did not search the house, as they did some others. And the food was very useful later on.

"I went down to work a bit early that afternoon, for I did not know what would happen. I was stopped at the entrance to White Rock and told I must go to the Channel Islands Hotel for a pass.

"And that was the first time I saw the German Kommandant who had been put in charge of the island.

"I was shown into his office, and there behind the desk sat a short thick-set German officer with dark hair and very lively, piercing eyes. I should say he was about 42 years old. He wore a uniform something between brown and khaki in colour, and a peaked cap with white braid and the eagle's wings on it. He also wore the Iron Cross.

Kommandant

Was Polite

"His name was Dr. Lanz, and I must say that, all the time I was on the island, he behaved like a gentleman.

"After a time, indeed, the Guernsey people's fear was that he might be replaced by some other German. He had an assistant at first, a Dr. Maus, who also behaved well, and he was then transferred to France.

"We got quite used, in time, to seeing the Kommandant driving about the island.

"He was always driven by a local policeman in the police car, which had a swastika flag put on its bonnet, but wherever the Kommandant went he was accompanied by a German soldier as bodyguard, with two revolvers strapped to his belt.

"When I first met him, on that Monday afternoon, he was perfectly polite to me. He spoke excellent English. He asked me what my job was, and took down particulars of me. Then I was handed a pass, in German, that would let me on to White Rock.

Food Taken

From Island

"The German sentry passed me through with it at once that evening. Not that I had anything to do, for the harbour was still empty, and no ships came.

"None came, indeed, until the following week, when the first German boats started to arrive from France.

"There was one, the Holland, which was still plying regularly back and forwards when I left, bringing troops, guns and ammunition from France, and taking back all the things the islanders were forced to surrender—the food stocks, the spirits, and so on. Even cases of tomatoes."

"But I don't think," added Fred Hockey with a grin, "that the Germans got a very high opinion of Guernsey tomatoes. Both these boys of mine, George and Harold, were working in the glasshouse. And they can tell you that, when the Germans came in and ordered too many boxes to be prepared by a certain time, they didn't always get quite the best quality tomatoes there are!"

"And the packing," said George dreamily, "was not always first-class market standard. You'd be surprised at the number of boxes I saw with the juice streaming out of the bottom, even before they left the glasshouse."

THURSDAY: "TWEET THREATEN ME WITH REVOLVERS."



## DELAYED DECLARATIONS IN LOCAL CRICKET

(By "R. Abbit")

(Continued from Page 6.)

cannot get enough net practice. However, he goes in as a batsman and field—with the possibility of being used to break a stand. I hope the authorities will consider this game for China New Year.

### Century For Owen-Hughes

But I seem to have diverged from the dullish Club Army draw. I saw Owen-Hughes and Knight settle comfortably down with much interest. (But I wish the caterer would get these nice little round pork pies which really taste like their names instead of that loaf shaped abomination. Even the hard boiled egg thrown in does not console me). I was unable to discover the name of left hand over the wicket bowler but I think it was Dixon. With a wicket to help him he might be quite dangerous, even though he got no wickets on the excellent pitch on Saturday. Tropp looked pretty adequate too and bowled much better than when he turned out for the Civil Service. No one else did much. Knight played free cricket and when he was out at 94 he had scored 51 of them. Ride came next and helped Owen-Hughes to put on another 73 runs of which he scored 26 nicely.

### A Big Total

Mindful no doubt of the weakness of his own bowling, Owen-Hughes held on until 202 when he had made 103 not out. The declaration left the Army time for only three less overs. Unfortunately I forgot to get anyone to time the tea interval. Grose and Logan did not come off but T. A. Pearce (54) Webb (26) and Skipwith (20) all got runs and the total at close of play was 176—no extras obliged with 27. Taking all runs including extras the Club scored at 7.2 runs per over and the Army at 7 per over. Not such a bad thing. Only one maiden over was bowled.

### At The K.C.C.

I gather from onlookers that there was a painful difference from the before mentioned pace of scoring in the I.R.C. match with Kowloon on the latter's ground. The I.R.C. occupied the wickets during thirty four overs and scored at a rate of 4 per over. This was only due to A. H. Madar (60) and A. H. Minu (31). I gather that most of the batsmen played in a most restrained style and I can help feeling all is not well with I.R.C. A. H. Madar and A. R. Minu have carried them for years and I don't see any new blood or new enterprise. When they declared at 139 for 19, K.C.C. had only time for 19 overs. However, they scored at a rate of just over eight runs per over and rattled up 154 for two wickets.

### Fine Hitting

I was very glad I arrived in time to see most of it. The wicket was taking spin but was easy. How Dugby Hing (45) managed to off-drive Minu for 6 with a cross bat can't imagine but he was all over him and seemed to hit across the break with impunity. Anderson (79) played very correct forcing cricket and both batsmen were cutting excellently. It all looked so easy too. P. J. Lay got a few at the end and I like his style. I hear he is unlikely to fall into this pit of swollen-headedness that some of our youngsters have found lately.

### Craigengower v. University

Playing at Happy Valley the University managed to get a good draw with the home side although their bowling was not very convincing and they missed Gegg very much. Craigengower ran up 176 for a declared with Hulse a much improved batsman this year making 77 not out and A. B. Hanson 33 not out. However, like so many sides they held on for more of their fair share of the time, having 30 overs against the Varsity's 24 only.

### Varsity Bat Well

The great improvement in the Varsity batting was maintained and they were never in difficulties as K. Y. Tam (37) and C. N. Matthews (62) gave them a splendid start and their captain Sen Gupta came along with a sound 20 not out so that they wound up with the sound score of 140 for 4 wickets declared.

### Juniors Lose

At Pokfulam the second eleven did not do so well as C. W. Lam had a field day and apart from knocking up 60 not out took 6 wickets for 24 runs. S. Leonard got 27 and Craigengower declared at 161 for 7 wickets. The University could only manage 107, Naranjan Singh being top scorer with 18—a score equaled by Mr. Extras!

### High Scoring By Recreo

#### Second

The batting of the Recreo second used to be their weak point but they have been much better this year and on Saturday they hit the Police bowling to the tune of 165 for 7 wickets declared. P. M. N. da Silva (22) and H. A. Barros (50) were the principal scorers. When their turn came to bat the Police collapsed and were all out for 60 of which the first two men Carey and Clarke got 16 and 10 respectively. They are an in and out side this year and very often cannot turn out their full side which is always worrying. I tend to upset people and put them off their usual game.

### Smaller Games

I see that, owing to a plucky innings of 89 not out by Jernakoff,

D.B.S. Staved off defeat by the Civil Service second who had made only 88 of which Burrow had 33 and Stone 22 runs. The latter took 7 for 49 and is a useful all-rounder. J. Macauley took 8 for twenty and seems to be bowling very well this year. The R.A.F. drew with the Pay Corps, Stinson (60) for the former team and Bailey (46 not out) for the latter being the only batsmen to do anything. Hawkings for the R.A.F. took 6 for 14 in 7 overs. A good performance.

### Is Saul Among The Prophets?

I have frequently seen Frank Goodwin hit up twenty or thirty in a few minutes but I cannot recall his ever having exceeded the half century. (I may be wrong!) but playing for the Kowloon second he hit up 53 not out at a time when his side wanted runs badly. I.R.C. second had made 160 for 7, and Goodwin only got 3 for 46, which after his success against the Club first, rather surprised me. A.R. Sufiad was top scorer with 50 not out, and including extras there were five other scores of double figures. Baxler (30) alone did much besides Goodwin, but they managed to stall off defeat.

### Miniature Soccer

#### Presentation Of Schools' League Trophies

The presentation of trophies in the Kowloon Inter-School Small Boys' Miniature Soccer League took place at the McPherson playground, Homantin, yesterday, during the interval of an exhibition match between the Champions, the National English College, and a "Pick-up" team. The match ended in a goalless draw.

A large silver cup, to be retained by the team winning it three times, was presented to the League by Mr. D. P. Lai. Other trophies were donated by Mr. L. Tung-tan, Chairman of the Executive Committee of the Children's Playgrounds Association, and Mr. Lee Gwok-yung.

#### SPORTSMANSHIP

Before coming on to present the prizes, Mr. Lai stressed the object of sportsmanship in games. The boys were also told not to be downhearted if they had not won anything this year, but to try again next time. Mr. H. N. Tam, director of the Playground, also spoke.

The winners were the National English College, with eight wins out of nine matches, followed by Wah Yan College with seven wins, and Man Sang College and Ming Sang College, with six wins each. Other competitors were the Tak Ming Middle School, Nam Mo Middle School, Mun Far Middle School, Kowloon English School, The Primary School (of Canton University), and the Wah Nam Middle School.

### HONGKONG F.C. UNFORTUNATE

HONGKONG F.C. have been 'unfortunate' enough not only to lose B. I. Bickford temporarily, as he is in hospital with injury to his thigh, but on January 6 E. L. Strouse, another prominent Club footballer, will be proceeding on leave, and will be absent from the Colony for a period of four months—that is the remainder of the soccer season.

### STOCK EXCHANGE

LONDON, Dec. 30 (Reuters).—On the Stock Exchange to-day, although business was only of a spasmodic character, the undertone was satisfactory.

Furthermore, President Roosevelt's speech and the terms of the new 2½ per cent war bonds and three per cent savings bonds, indicating the Government's intention to adhere to the cheap money policy, have created a good impression.

Gift-edged holdings were rather irregular but several industrial shares made headway.

Wall Street was firm.

### R.A.F. DESERT ATTACK

CAIRO, Dec. 30 (Reuters).—The enemy's Western Desert landing grounds at Tadmira, Derna and El Gazala were raided by the R.A.F. on Sunday.

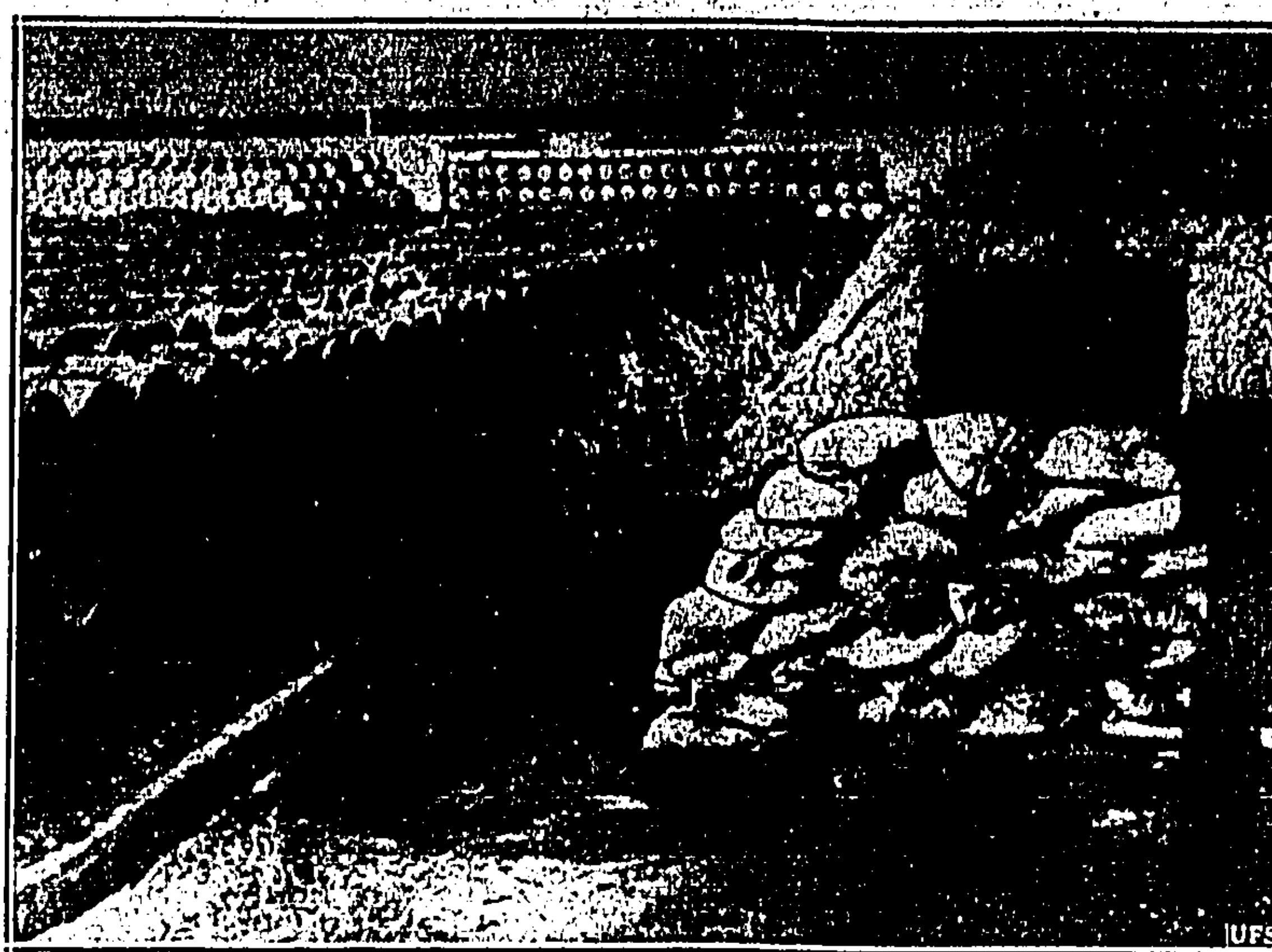
Flares were started at Tadmira and dispersed aircraft were attacked, according to an R.A.F. communiqué.

### Scots Chieftain's Heir To Wed

The engagement is announced of Squadron Leader "Aeneas" Ronald Donald McDonnell, D.F.C., elder son of McDonnell of Glengarry, and heir to the Chieftainship of Glengarry. He is shortly to marry Diana Dorothy Younger, daughter of the late Richard Henry Keane, of Cappoquin, County Waterford, and Mrs. Keane, of Cadenah Court, London.

Squadron Leader McDonnell was awarded the D.F.C. early in September after he had shot down nine enemy aircraft and damaged four others.

"He has been particularly successful as a leader," it was officially stated.



AMERICAN GOODS stored temporarily in Hanoi were seized by the Japanese last Friday, according to a United Press message yesterday. The picture above shows part of the vast gasoline and oil stores of the North American Syndicate, some of whose goods were among those seized. (Photo: Harrison Forman).

## Inquiry Shows School Scandal Blunders

The Government inquiry into the circumstances in which whole families of homeless people were left in a vulnerable East London school used as a rest-centre for two days and were killed in the night, has revealed tragic blunders.

In the school, to which the homeless in a heavily bombed area were taken, were families who had been bombed on two successive nights. The school had been bombed before they got there.

With a certainty that the bombers would return and bomb that exact district again, they were desperate to get away.

The first raids had been on the Friday, on the Sunday coaches were ordered and were due at the school at 3 p.m. to take them to a safer district. They never came.

#### "The George"

What had happened was that they had been ordered to rendezvous at "The George" public house in a nearby borough.

The leader of the coaches thought he knew "The George" but it was "The George" in another borough, and contact with the authorities was never made. The coaches went back.

On the Monday coaches were again requisitioned and arrived at the school to transfer the homeless, who had been through another night of terror.

#### Nazis Came

But the sirens went as they were boarding the coaches. Local officials decided to abandon the transfer that day, and fixed it for the following morning.

The Nazis came over that night. Their bombs destroyed the school, and with it many of the homeless.

## ANTI-WAR VIEWS IN ITALY

The "Popolo d'Italia," Mussolini's newspaper, went to considerable pains recently to impress on the Italian people why they were at war.

"This war is a war of revolution," it declared. "After being put in effect at home, this revolution has been transferred with arms to the imperial sphere, for it is not possible to achieve the highest form of social justice unless we win back the means to give it to the Italian people."

"Of this the people are perfectly aware. They are living their war and following with emotion and enthusiasm the glorious enterprises of their sons. It is possible that there are still some sections who are not entirely of this opinion. If there are, they must be looked for, not among the people who alone count, but among certain narrow circles."

## Court Of Inquiry On Treatment Of C.O.s

A COURT of inquiry, set up by the War Minister, is to investigate serious charges of ill-treatment of conscientious objectors.

Announcing this in the House of Commons recently, Sir Edward Grigg, Parliamentary Secretary, War Office, said Major F. E. Pritchard, K.C., Deputy Judge Advocate, Western Command, would be a member of the court.

Sir Edward was replying to Mr. McGovern, I.L.P., Shettleston, who had asked if he was aware that certain conscientious objectors had been treated in a brutal manner, being kicked, beaten with rifle butts and placed on bread and water in solitary confinement.

#### "Dragged From Cells"

Objectors named by Mr. McGovern were Chadwick (Liverpool), Norman William (Sheffield), John Radford (London), Albert Foster (Newcastle), L. London (Colchester), Gregory (Sheffield) and Gibbs (Cardiff). He said there were "many others."

Other allegations made were that the objectors were dragged from their cells, marched round a square and prodded on with rifles and that the colonel in charge refused to intervene and insulted the men when they asked for a court-martial.

#### "Terrorised"

Mr. McGovern also alleged that the colonel in charge would not allow Albert Foster to attend his mother's funeral unless he wore soldier's clothes and agreed to serve, and that certain of these men had been compelled to serve through terror.

Sir Edward Grigg said cases of imprisonment for three or more months for offences against military discipline on grounds of conscience numbered 32, and the number undergoing solitary confinement was three.

#### MR J. H. WALTON

Mr. John Harold Walton, for 15 years correspondent in Turkey of "The Daily Telegraph," and representative of the Federation of British Industries, died at Istanbul recently.

## Norwegians Sabotage Supplies

Several arrests have been made in Norway on charges of sabotage of foodstuffs being shipped to Germany, especially fish, according to Oslo correspondent of the Stockholm "Dagens Nyheter."

The correspondent says it is impossible to estimate the extent of the damage, but adds that organised resistance to the German Army of occupation is making progress in certain districts in Norway.

Another message from Oslo indicating the existence of a troubled situation in Norway appears in the Stockholm "Aftonbladet."

This states that General von Falkenhorst, the German commander in Norway, summoned all district military commanders to a meeting in Oslo recently. Terboven, the Nazi Commissioner in Norway, made a speech on the political situation and conditions prevailing in the country.

## Plans For Indian Plane Plant

British plans to manufacture aircraft in India are described in the "New York Herald Tribune," which says that Mr. William Pawley, the American aeronautical engineer, has returned to America recently after making a survey of suitable factory sites in India, at the request of the British Government.

Mr. Pawley supervised the construction of Nationalist China's only aircraft factory, which is situated at Pawleyville, 300 miles northeast of Mandalay. It has a staff of 3,500 Chinese workers and 20 Americans, and is still producing "planes for Chiang Kai-shek's air force, in spite of repeated Japanese bombings."

While in India Mr. Pawley made a study of the native aptitude for precision work, and is now working out final details of his scheme.

## Turkey Alert Against Nazis

The presence of German troops in Rumania has led to intensification of Turkish police activity concerning the innumerable foreigners who have flooded Istanbul since Czechoslovakia and Poland were invaded.

Many men have been added to the Special Secret Police, and the Government is now informed of the movements of practically all foreigners, whether under suspicion or not. The majority of suspects are either German "business men" or Polish elements whose luxurious mode of life here does not coincide with their claim to be refugees. Several arrests are expected in the next few days.

It is reported that the Germans attempted to finance a new Istanbul newspaper, but the Government, tracing the source of the capital, refused permission for publication.

## KING'S GIFT TO R.A.F. FUND

In response to Lord Wakefield's appeal on behalf of the R.A.F. Benevolent Fund, a donation has been received from the King. A total of over £200,000 has been reached.



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## "R. Abbit's" Cricket Comments

# Delayed Declarations And Draws

## Poor Initiative Shown By Both Captains And Batsmen

This year if ever, I thought we should get a fairly large series of early declarations or at least displays of free hitting. There is nothing to prevent it. There is no League to worry captains. There is no bowling to worry batsmen. And yet Saturday after Saturday we got the same old delayed declarations owing to poky batting and the same old draws. The most glaring case was the match between the Recreio and the Civil Service. The former batted for 26.3 overs for 163 runs while the Civil Service had only 18.4! I asked Eddy Gosano at the end of his innings why on earth he had not declared twenty minutes earlier and he replied that his later batsmen had had no match batting practice. I suggested that in a cheerful friendly he might have reversed his order instead of letting his usual batsmen open every time. This did not seem to have occurred to him.

### C. S. C. C.—RECREIO FARCE

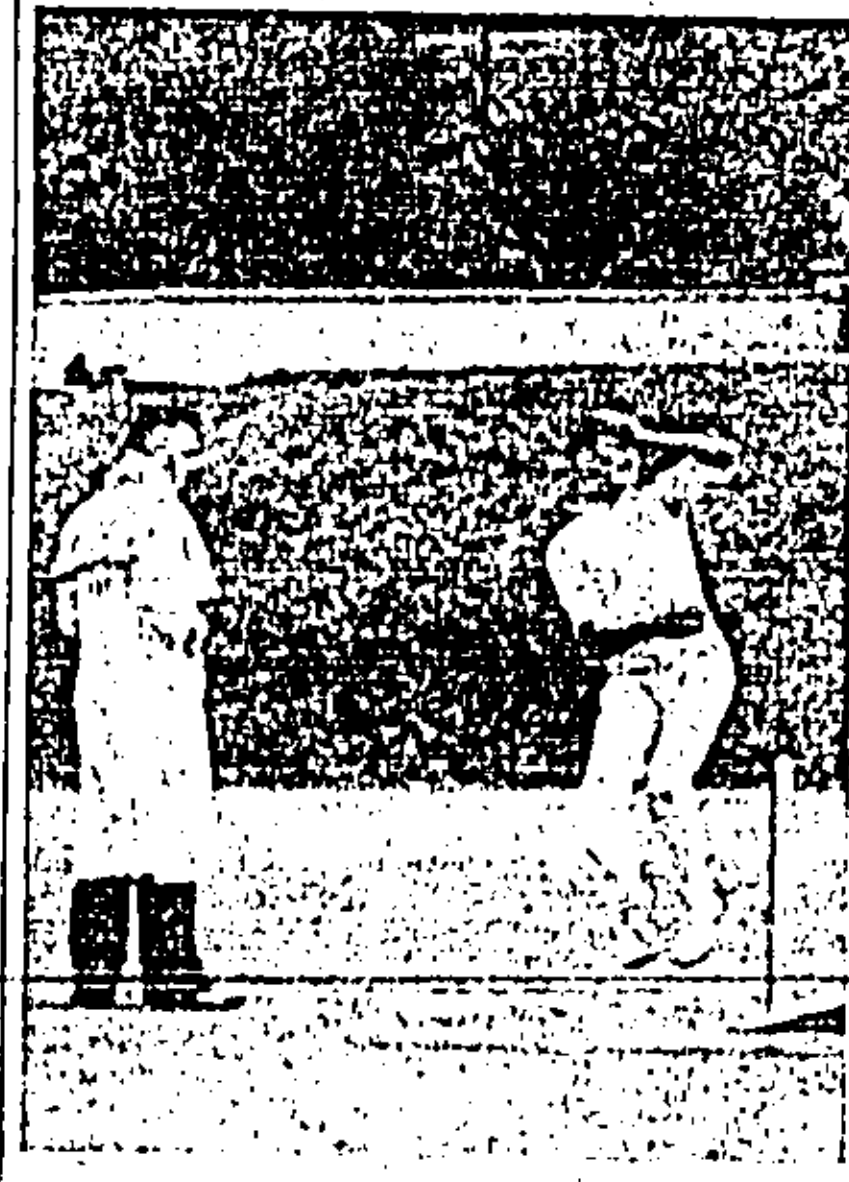
The match was of course turned into the usual farce where the C.S.C.C., batting second, had practically no chance of a win and could only lose through a collapse. In fact this latter they nearly did, as Attwell played all round one of Eddy Gosano's in his first over and was bowled; Perry was l.b.w. to Ozorio—it was very high but the ball may have been dropping; while Griffiths tried to drive Gosano and got his pads in front, beaten by the swing I fancy. After that I left the field partly in disgust and partly because I had to get on and see K.C.C. and the Indians. Unfortunately I missed some good cricket for, after Hollidge had failed, Baker came to the rescue and settled down to play free and excellent cricket. Richardson, who is in splendid form at present, went on to 55 not out while Baker got 48 playing some very good shots.

### Recreio's Batting

The earlier batsmen did well enough as J. M. Gosano (34) E. M. L. Soares (24) A. M. Prata (27) and E. L. Gosano (20) all made fair scores. I did not see the beginning of the innings but I fancy the C. S. bowlers fail in length. Perry and Baker are alright to begin with but afterwards do not seem to recover their length in second spells. For once Richardson was used in the right way. When Soares was hitting Richardson went on. Soares hit him for six and then was caught on the boundary. Dicky promptly went off! Whitely and Smith were poor though the latter caught an excellent catch off his own bowling somewhere about deep mid-on!

### Usual Club-Army Draw

It has been unfortunate—though probably inevitable—that the two all day games and last Saturday's games have been or will be practically Club v. Army. Personally I should like to see the Club, when they can draw on their full membership—i.e. the Civil Servants—take on the K.C.C. in an all day, or better still a two day match. I have no hesitation in saying that at present the K.C.C. are the best side in the Colony excluding perhaps a full Club side which would bring in Civil Servants, and Major Grose and Alec Pearce from the Army. I think that the following side in a rough batting order would in a full two day game make a



Lt Fergus (Royal Scots) bowling against the Volunteers in their cricket match at Sookunpoo on Sunday.—Ming Yuen.

splendid match with the K.C.C.: J. E. Richardson, T. G. C. Knight, T. A. Pearce, H. Owen-Hughes, Major Grose, L. T. Rids, A. E. Perry, D. McLellan, F. Baker, J. L. C. Pearce and A. J. Dewar. If Major Grose is averse from keeping wicket, then I would drop John Pearce for T. V. Fortescue. John Pearce is doing much better with the bat than T. Fortescue this year but he seems to have lost his bowling. I suspect it is merely temporary because he

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N. A. E. Mackay (H.K. Volunteers) batting against the R. Scots at Sookunpoo last Sunday. He scored 49, contributing to the Volunteers' victory of 200 runs.—Ming Yuen.

## Japanese Swimmers In H.K.

### Holiday Golf Pools At Fanling

The Bogeys Par Pool held over the Old Course at Fanling during the Christmas Holidays attracted 42 entries and was won by Major W. G. Harvey (10), one up. The Medal Round over the Old Course was won by T. Low, 82 (12) 70. There were 30 entries.

The Bogeys Par Pool over the New Course attracted only 14 entries and was won by A. J. Dennis (10), one up. The sum of \$35 from entrance fees has been donated to the South China Morning Post Bomber Fund.

### CAPTAIN'S CUP

The Captain's Cup will be held on January 4 and 5 over the Old and New Courses. Bogeys Par Pools will be held on January 11 and 12 over the New Course and on January 18 and 19 over the Old.

The first round of the Junior Championship will be held on January 18.

### Max Baer Heavyweight Contender

NEW YORK, Dec. 27 (UP).—The American Boxing magazine Ring's annual ratings place Max Baer, former world heavyweight champion, as number one contender for Joe Louis' crown in view of the fact that he has knocked out both "Two Ton" Tony Galento and Tom Comiskey.

The magazine predicts that Billy Conn, the current light-heavyweight champion, who is slated to meet Louis next June, will not last very long against Louis' terrific wallop. Holders or chief contenders for the middleweight, bantamweight and flyweight titles are not listed, but the following represent the leading men in each division:

Heavyweight, Joe Louis; light heavyweight, Billy Conn; middleweight, Len Overholser; welterweight, Walter Zivie; lightweight, Lew Jenkins; featherweight, Harry Jaffra; bantamweight, Oliver; flyweight, Jackie Paterson (Scotland). Cefelino Garcia, former Filipino world middleweight champion, is rated eighth amongst the light-heavyweight contenders, while Klukong Young is second in a group of bantamweight contenders.

### College Stars En Route To Manila Practice At European Y.M.C.A.

(By "Ripple")

JAPANESE SWIMMERS, en route to the Philippines to take part in the P.I. Inter-Collegiate and All-Philippine Championships, arrived in Hongkong yesterday and availing themselves of the offer of the European Y.M.C.A. turned out for a practice swim in that pool.

The party was comprised of five collegiate swimmers, and a coach. But among the five was Sigeo Arai who took third place in the 110 metres at the 1936 Olympiad at Berlin.

Others of the party were T. Hiraga, third ranking back-stroke swimmer, Tosio Honma, third ranking distance swimmer, Seisiro Oura, second ranking breast-stroke swimmer, and Taketya Honda, a sprinter. Manager is Mr Takashiro Saito, a member of the Executive Committee of the Amateur Swimming Federation of Japan.

In fresh water, unopposed and swimming for the first time in some weeks, the Japanese nevertheless provided remarkable exhibitions in the short time—yesterday.

These times, briefly, were:  
S. Arai—100 yards (freestyle)—59.6 secs.  
T. Hiraga—110 yard (backstroke)—70.6 secs.  
T. Honma—140 yards (freestyle)—5 mins.  
S. Oura—220 yards (breaststroke)—2 mins. 42.2 secs.  
T. Honda—110 yards (freestyle)—61.2 secs.

From Arai the small handful of spectators were given a fine demonstration of the use of the arms in swimming. Peculiarly, his leg bent, though strong, was not as powerful as I had expected from a swimmer capable of such speed over short distances. Rather from Honma, who swam the quarter-mile, was the power of the leg-beat demonstrated.

### Continuous Stroke

But all were possessed of glide—the hall-mark of good swimmers—particularly Arai. His powerful arm strokes appeared to continue right up to the moment of lifting his hands out of the water. His stroke was down, under the body at the hips, and then backwards and out. For style, however, Hiraga, the back-stroker, was the best to watch.

His cupped hands curved gracefully over his head before entering the water, but his powerful stroke had the effect of lifting his head and neck out of the bath.

Oura jumped off for his 220 yards breast-stroke, and completed three-quarters of the bath under water at terrific speed before breaking surface. He did not employ the butterfly stroke, but outstanding feature of his swim was his kick. He snapped his legs together with extraordinary power, and one could almost hear the water swirl under the surface.

### Turning Lessons

Last of the swimmers was Honda, who also swam 110 yards in a sprint. He gave lessons in turning. He favours touching with his left hand, and to accomplish this he institutes a short right arm break at the end of the bath when there is likelihood of his right arm reaching there first. In this quarter-stroke, as it were, he loses none of his speed but gains the required left-hand turn.

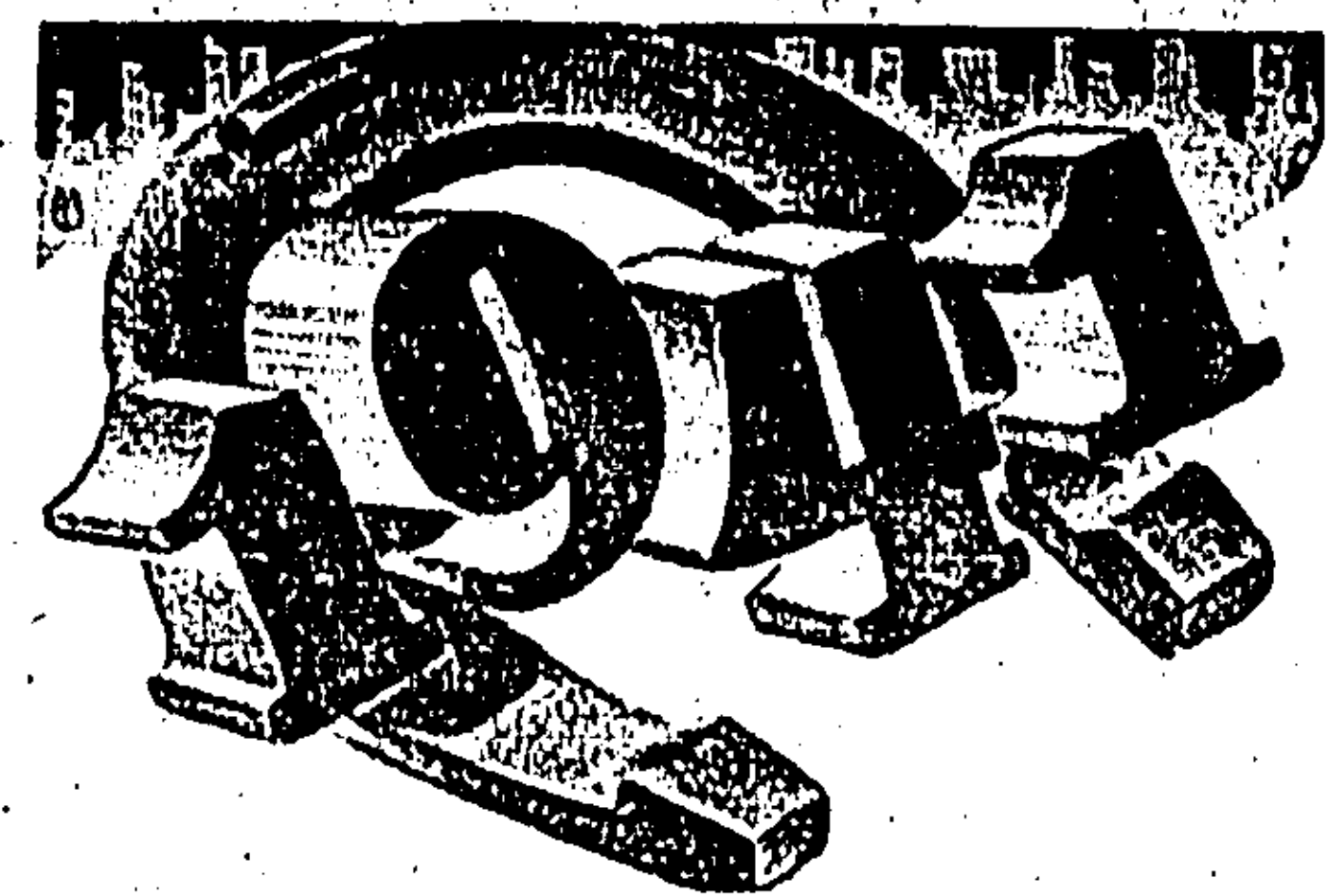
Arrangements are in hand for these swimmers to give an exhibition at the "Y" Pool on their return from the south.

### Bowls Match At Kowloon B.G.C.

The bowls match which has been arranged between the Serpents' Mess of the Volunteers and the Kowloon Bowling Green Club will take place on Saturday, January 11 at 2.45 p.m. at Austin Road.

### Intra-Club Game

The members of the Kowloon Bowling Green Club will be holding an intra-club bowls match on their green at 2.30 p.m. to-morrow, January 1 when members representing Scotland will meet the Rest.



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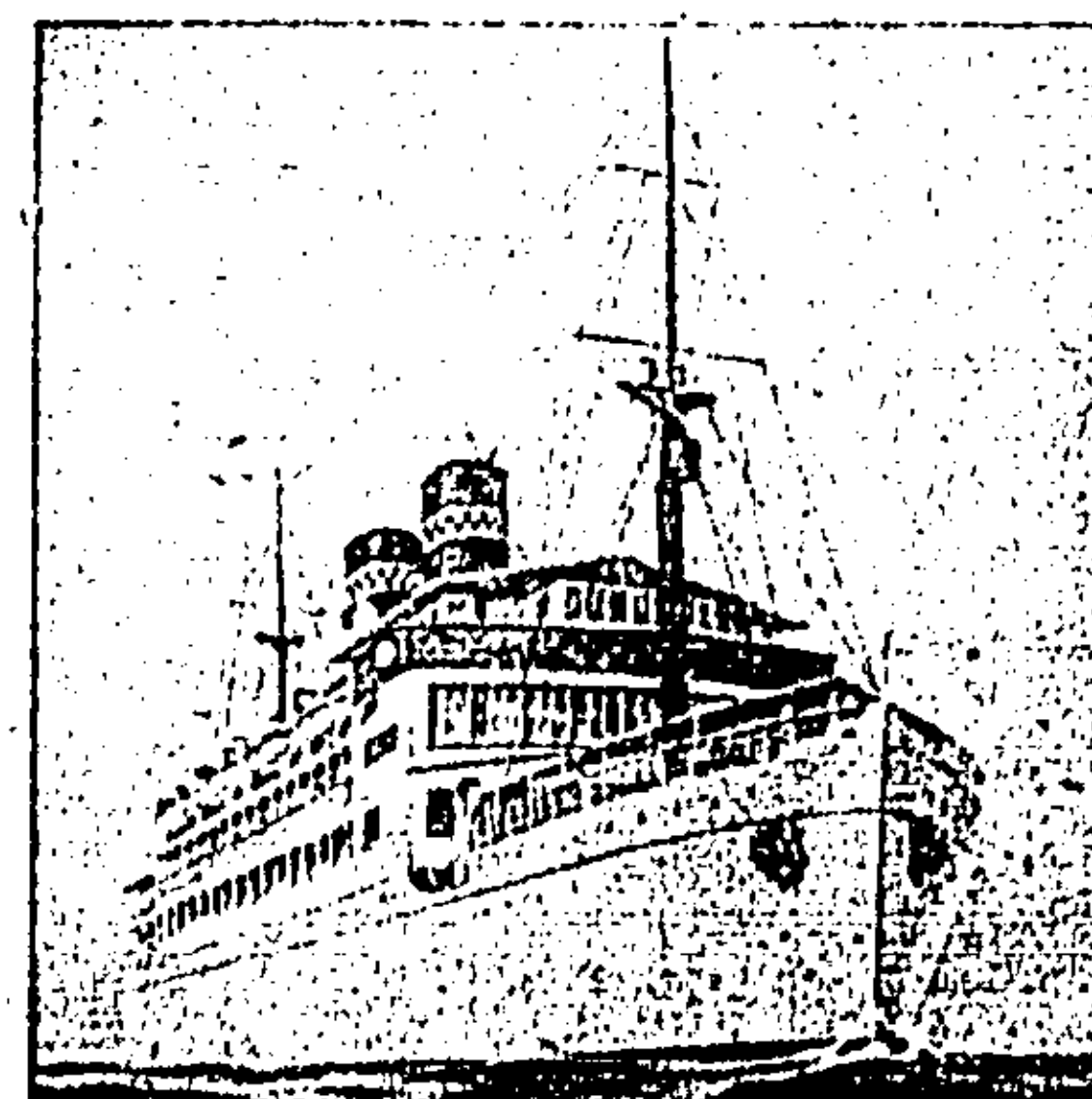
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# GERMAN THREATS OVER FILM

## Nazis Protest in Washington

THE first March of Time feature film, "The Ramparts We Watch," has brought strong protests, and threats from the German Embassy in Washington.

The protests were made by the Second Secretary of the Embassy, von Glenanthe, who objected to the use made of extracts from the German war film, "Baptism of Fire," which is the official German film of the invasion of Poland. Von Glenanthe was reported to be "really furious."

"Baptism of Fire" was shown at an official reception for the Norwegian Government just before the invasion of that country, and it has also been shown to invited audiences of officials and members of the Governments of Spain, Rumania and other countries which Germany wished to impress with the futility of opposing her mechanized legions.

Von Glenanthe demanded that the German extracts in "The Ramparts We Watch" be taken out, and threatened immediate reprisals against any March of Time employees in Germany or occupied territories and also legal proceedings in the United States.

### Threats Defied

The editors of the March of Time refused this censorship and stated that they would release the film as they saw fit. There are no March of Time employees in Germany or the occupied countries at the moment.

The producer, Mr. Louis de Rochemont, notified the German Embassy that he "would welcome a showdown on Germany's indirect censorship of American films," which had been increasing for the past two years.

Germany had tried to dictate what should or should not be shown in certain pictures, he said, and had refused to allow any German scene to be shown with anything related to England.

The German Propaganda Ministry had been perfectly willing to release extracts from "Baptism of Fire" until it discovered the adverse effect which they were having on American public opinion.

## King & Queen As Riveters

The King and Queen who visited a famous shipyard in the North-West of England drove rivets into the first keel plates of a warship to be built there. First the King and then the Queen used the hydraulic rivet press.

They spent two hours in a tour of the yard often with an escort of cheering workers. They first saw men and boys furnishing steel plates and bending ships frames.

Afterwards they walked on the slipways, where they saw two of the latest warships which are nearly ready to go out on duty. They went aboard, inspected the gun turrets, A.A. and submarine defences, and talked to the men who were putting the finishing touches to the ships. The Royal tour began at a station where the King and Queen arrived after spending the night in the Royal train. It had been drawn up at a disused siding in a remote spot in Lancashire, and, although bombs fell within a few miles, there was no actual raid warning, and the King and Queen spent an undisturbed night.

## More Merchant Ships Sail Mediterranean

Britain's control of the Mediterranean and Red Seas is encouraging an increasing number of shipping companies to resume schedules between Alexandria and Mediterranean ports.

Eighteen merchant ships loaded with potatoes, fruits, oil and wines arrived in England Alexandria from Cyprus.

In addition, two ships loaded with coal arrived from England. Egyptian maritime authorities are studying requests from a large number of shipping concerns to resume operations halted by Italy's entry into the war. The companies are now convinced that, owing to the British Navy, traffic is now fairly safe.

## BRITAIN'S NEW M.T.B's

Great Britain now possesses the fastest small warships in the world. They are the latest of the Navy's motor-torpedo boats. Details of their speed and armament are secret, of course, but they are easily the fastest armed ships on water, their offensive power is as great as that of many bigger vessels, and their small size makes them a target almost impossible to hit.

M.T.B. service is one of the most popular branches of the Navy, to judge from the waiting-list of officers and ratings who want to join it (writes a Press Association special correspondent).

These M.T.B.s offer nothing in comfort, but a great deal of adventure, excitement, and danger. Shooting over and through waves at something like 50 miles an hour, with spray like a whip flicked across my face, I began to appreciate how much courage is required. Inside the tiny hull engines producing thousands of horse-power thundered like half a dozen express trains.

The function of these vessels in the war at sea is similar to that of fighter aeroplanes in the air. They are in effect "sea Spitfires." Noise, wetness, and terrific speed were my chief sensations on this trip. For such a strenuous existence men have to be young and unusually fit. Thirty is the average age-limit for an officer, 35 for a rating. They are nearly all volunteers.

## Chemist Fined £1,000

Hyman Liss, 32, wholesale chemist, of Connaught Gardens, Muswell Hill, N., was at Bow Street Police Court recently fined £1,000 and ordered to pay 50 guineas costs by Mr Fry for failing to offer 800 sovereigns for sale to the Treasury. He pleaded "Guilty."

Mr F. D. Barry, for the Director of Public Prosecutions, said it was suggested that there had been a deliberate attempt to evade the regulations. Liss was in partnership with two brothers. On July 24 the Bank of England wrote that there was reason to believe that he had not complied with the regulations and asking for particulars of foreign currency, securities, and gold in his possession or under his control. He replied that he had none. The Bank got to know that he had 800 sovereigns and again wrote to him. He then admitted that he had bought the sovereigns at 35s. 7d. in August, 1939.

He offered them to the Treasury at the price he paid, but they gave him the market value, about £1,600. He thus made a profit of £140.

## 'Exuberance Of Verbosity'

In the Legislative Council of Perth (W.A.) Mr C. Baxter recently took the Minister of Justice (Mr Nulsen) to task for having applied the term "gerontocracy" to members of the Legislative Council.

"Gerontocracy" means government by old men. Mr. Baxter said he would not use words not in general use, but he would characterise Mr. Nulsen as a cloud-pated dolt for his slighting reference to a body of men doing excellent work.



DRAFT No. 1.—Blindfolded Secretary of War Henry L. Stimson holds first-draft capsule drawn from fish bowl, in War Department Auditorium, Washington. It was No. 158. He is about to hand capsule to President Roosevelt, left.

## £12,000 Claim Against Bookmaker Dismissed

The Court of Appeal, London, recently dismissed without costs the appeal by Mr Bernard William Mason, a city company director, of Berkely Street, against a decision of Mr Justice Stabile, dismissing his claim for the return of £12,000 from Mr Harry Parker, Ltd, Turf Accountants, and Mr Abraham Stein, otherwise known as Harry Parker, in connection with a £6000 each-way bet.

Mr Mason's case at the trial was that he was wrongfully induced to place the bet on his horse. Another Greek, which lost a race at Nottingham, by Mr Parker's representation that he could spread the bet in small amounts with a number of agents, so that the starting price would not be brought down. He maintained that Mr Parker had failed to do this. Mr Parker denied the allegations.

Lord Justice MacKinnon, giving judgment, said he doubted whether Mr Justice Stabile was justified in finding that there was an express bargain between "this precious pair" that Parker should "square" the other jockeys in the race at Nottingham. The bargain was tainted with illegality, which were sufficient to make the transaction itself illegal, so that neither party could claim under it. His Lordship said he regretted that it was not possible for the Court to make Parker pay the £11,975 that was claimed to be a deserving charity.

### No Squeamishness

Lord Justice Lush, in his judgment, said that Mason had been referred to in the case as a "sportsman," and reference was made to his interest in the "sport" of horse-racing. There was no scintilla of evidence to warrant the use of these phrases. Mason's object in buying and racing horses was to make money, and he was not hampered by any squeamishness as to the means to be employed to attain this end.

His Lordship said he did not think that Mr Justice Stabile was justified in holding that it was part of the arrangement suggested by Parker and accepted by Mason that Parker should bribe jockeys in the race in which Another Greek was engaged. But the fact that Mason was willing to deal with Parker after the conversation in which Parker said he could "square" jockeys, could leave little doubt in the mind of a normal person that Mason would have made no objection to such a suggestion.

He was satisfied that the arrangement to place bets with street bookmakers and to stage a fictitious bet was a criminal conspiracy in precisely the same way as a conspiracy to "rig" Stock Exchange prices had been held to be.

## Saw Every Derby For 60 Years

Mr Arthur F. B. Portman, 79, well known sporting journalist "Audax," was killed in a London air raid.

Mr Portman was editor and senior director of the "Horse and Hound" newspaper, for which he had written articles for 50 years. He had seen every Derby for more than 60 years.

## ITALIAN'S GIFT TO RED CROSS

The gratitude of aliens of certain categories who have been released from internment camps in Britain has found expression in various gestures of appreciation. Of these, few were more spontaneous than the gift of an Italian business man in Edinburgh to the Red Cross.

On leaving the Isle of Man, where he was interned, he wrote a cheque for the Red Cross. As a result, the fund will benefit to the extent of £20 15s.

For many years this man has lived in Edinburgh with his wife and family. Some of his children were born in the country, and he enjoyed the friendship and respect of many people outside the Italian community. When Italy entered the war, however, he was interned, following the procedure adopted with classified enemy aliens.

He had always admired British law and order, and when he was released from the internment camp he was inspired to make the gift to the Red Cross as a mark of his appreciation of his treatment there.

## Nazis Want More Quislings

Reports from Oslo state that discussions on the re-composition of the new Nazi-sponsored Norwegian Government continue. The Reichs Commissar, Terhoveen, has gone to Berlin to submit a list of proposed Ministers for Hitler's approval.

The Germans demand the inclusion of a minimum of three National Assembly-Quisling party members. Only one Nationalist, Dr. Gudbrand Lunde, to be Minister of the Interior, is at present listed and the Germans say that a further two must be added to the exclusion of other candidates.

Fearing possible disturbances it is reported, they have waived a demand for the appointment of Quisling.

### German Control

Germany has undertaken full responsibility for Norway's defence and the maintenance of order. Foreign policy and foreign trade will be dictated from Berlin.

While the Nygaardsvold Government has been officially deposed by Oslo King Haakon's position has been left in abeyance until the Storting meets, which will not be before the restoration of peace.

## Keeping Troop Entertained

Regimental bands are to be made full use of during the winter season, and there will be other special efforts to entertain the troops.

Announcing this when opening an Information Bureau for H.M. Forces in Trafalgar-square, Mr Eden, Secretary for War, said that welfare work in the Services was necessary to fight boredom, to keep up fighting efficiency, and to develop the offensive spirit.

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## Naval Base In Philippines

Manila, Dec. 28.  
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(It is learned from one acquainted with the area that the lake to which "Domei" refers is so shallow that only motor boats can navigate in it.)

## American Planes For China

Washington, Dec. 30.  
Announcing the sale of 400 American planes to China, the New York Herald-Tribune quotes authoritative sources, including Rear Admiral Tower, as saying that China's needs must not be neglected and that 400 is the minimum number of aircraft needed.

Chinese representatives are at present in Washington, stressing the Chinese need of modern war planes because of Japan's introduction of new type Messerschmitt pursuits.

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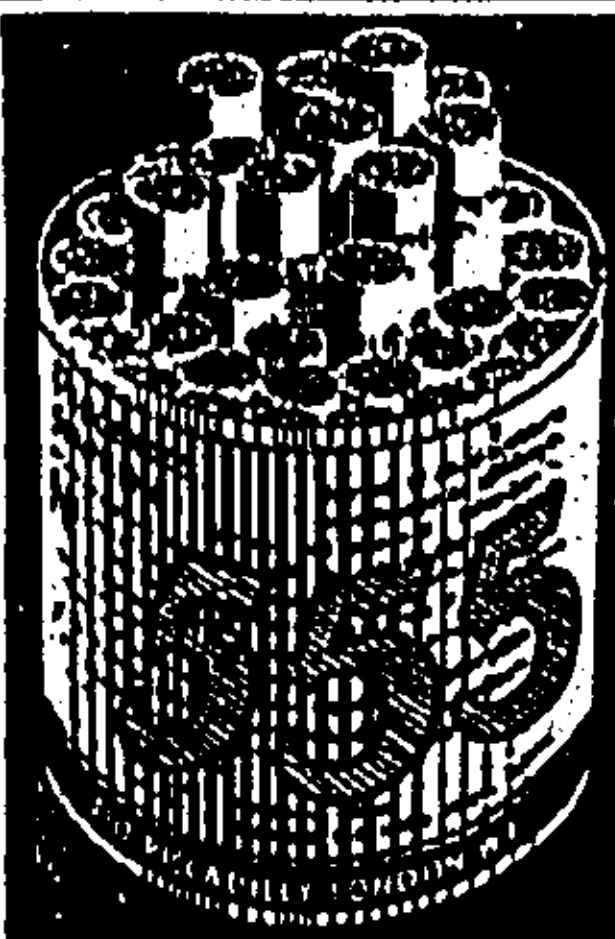
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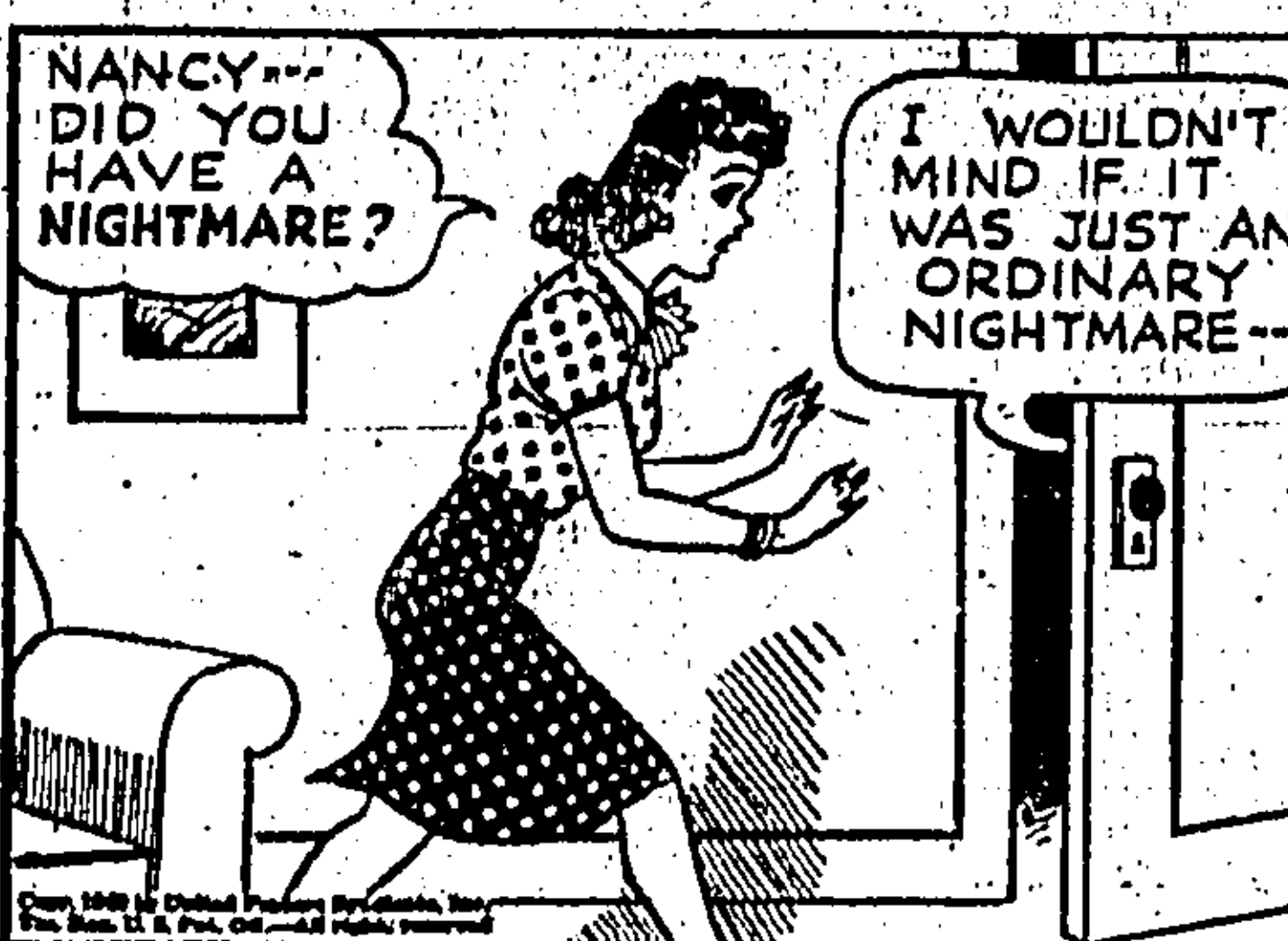
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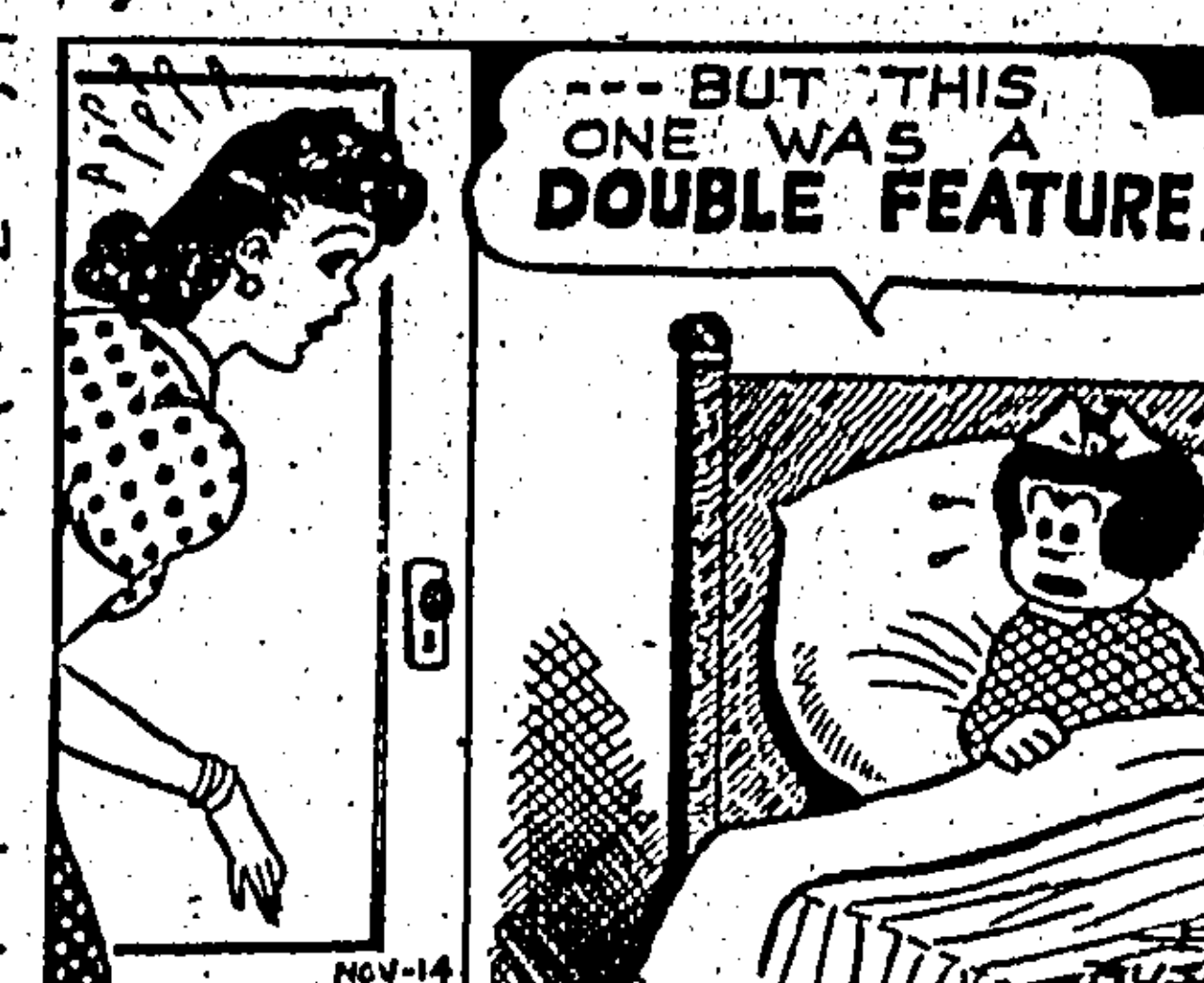
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- Talk foolishly
- Point of location
- English queen
- Cream flower
- Turns away from
- Indo-European
- Organ of hearing
- Naturally angry
- Herpetologist's pet
- At no time
- Paoli
- Title of polite address
- Pad
- Costume
- Chair
- Japanese coin
- Light car
- Unwashed metal
- Leaf colorful
- Small plant
- Creative work
- Walls
- Chewing substance
- Heavy
- One who marries
- Moving
- Forward
- Appetizing aroma
- Thing for treating

**DOWN**

- Not connected with church
- Combining form: with
- In a short time
- Leaving a will
- College president (Latin)
- Illegitimate ceremony
- Worship
- City in Alaska
- Employed
- What rodents do
- Volunteer
- Small drums
- Forward median plane
- Thick soup
- South American country
- Volts (French)
- Network of nerves
- Idiotically enterprise (Scottish)
- Holy image
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**ANSWERS TO PREVIOUS PUZZLE**

Across: 1. Artificial water-course (English) 2. Talk foolishly 3. Point of location 4. English queen 5. Cream flower 6. Turns away from 7. Indo-European 8. Organ of hearing 9. Naturally angry 10. Herpetologist's pet 11. At no time 12. Paoli 13. Title of polite address 14. Pad 15. Costume 16. Chair 17. Japanese coin 18. Light car 19. Unwashed metal 20. Leaf colorful 21. Small plant 22. Creative work 23. Walls 24. Chewing substance 25. Heavy 26. One who marries 27. Moving 28. Forward 29. Appetizing aroma 30. Thing for treating

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## INSIGHT INTO LOCAL DEFENCE TRAINING



**VOLUNTEERS IN TRAINING**—Valuable experience in modern warfare conditions was gained by Hongkong's Volunteers during their recent camps. The picture above shows men preparing to camouflage a trench. Leaves and shrubbery would be placed on top of the net. (Photo: Ming Yuen).

## FORD FAMILY RANKED WEALTHIEST IN AMERICA

The Securities and Exchange Commission's recent study of the United States' 200 largest non-financial corporations cites the Ford Motor Company as the "best example" of control by one family.

The report, prepared for the Monopoly Committee, shows that three members of the family—Henry Ford, his son, Edsel, and Edsel's wife, Mrs. Clara J. Ford—own all of the stock, and in so doing rank as the wealthiest family owners of corporation stock in America.

The Ford company stock had a book value of \$624,975,000 on December 31, 1937. It comprises two issues of common stock, in both of which Henry Ford owns a majority. Edsel is the next largest owner. The family owns a very small part through the Ford Foundation.

The de Pont family, with \$573,600,000 holdings mainly in the E. I. du Pont de Nemours Company and the United States Rubber Company, ranked as the second wealthiest stockholders among the corporations studied.

**Rockefellers and Mellons**  
Other large family holdings, with the total value of assets covered by the survey and the corporations in which they have their main interest, follows:

The Rockefeller family, \$300,583,000, Standard Oil Company (New Jersey), (Indiana), and of California, and Socany Vacuum Oil Company, Inc. Mellon family, \$300,000,000, Gulf Oil Corporation, Aluminum Company of America, and Koppers United Company; McCormick family, \$111,102,000, International Harvester Company; Hart family, \$105,702,000, Great Atlantic & Pacific Tea Company of America; Hearst family, \$104,891,000, Standard Oil Company (New Jersey), (Indiana), and of California, and Socany Vacuum Oil; Duke family, \$89,455,000, Duke Power Company, Aluminum Company of America, Liggett & Myers Tobacco; Pew family, \$75,628,000, Sun Oil Company; Pittman family, \$65,576,000, Pittsburgh Plate Glass Company; Clark family, \$57,215,000, Singer Manufacturing Company; Reynolds family, \$54,700,000, R. J. Reynolds Tobacco Company; Kress family, \$50,044,000, S. H. Kress & Company.

## Hearst's Control

The SEC noted that it was not possible to determine the market value of the Ford stock since it is not traded in, but added that the market value was more likely to be less than to be higher than the book value. The report noted that in most of the cases the market value was given as of December 31, 1937.

An example of what it termed "complete control not merely by one family but by one individual" the SEC noted that Hearst Consolidated Publications Inc., was owned by William Randolph Hearst through his ownership of Hearst Corporation and American Newspapers, Inc.

Out of the 200 corporations studied, only about 60 were found to be without "a visible centre of ownership control." Lack of a definite centre of control was "rare among utilities companies, the study said, with only four of 45 corporations listed in that category.

## "PRESENT" OF BUTTER FROM DUBLIN

The Marchioness of Sligo, of Upper Belgrave Street, S.W., pleaded "Guilty" before Mr. Ronald Powell at the Westminster Police Court recently to a summons for obtaining 1lb. of butter for household consumption in contravention of the Rationing Order.

Mr. Vernon Gattie, prosecuting, said the matter came to notice through the interception of a letter written by the defendant to a friend in Dublin. This ran: "I do so appreciate your present. If you will be able to send another present, please address . . . I enclose £1. Please keep an account against me." That letter was sent to the Ministry of Food, and Lady Sligo was seen by an inspector. She made an extremely frank statement and said she did not know she had done anything illegal in obtaining butter in that way.

Mr. Melford Stevenson, defending, said Lady Sligo wished him to express her unqualified regret. Her statement to the inspector was made with the most ruthless frankness and she did not conceal anything. The Magistrate—I can hardly accept the suggestion that this was a present. There will be a fine of 40s., with £3 3s costs.

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## Conference of Labour Women

# Must Plan Now For New Better World

Women want a better world to emerge from the wreckage of war. This was the keynote of the presidential address which Miss Grace Colman gave at the opening session of the National Conference of Labour Women at Southport.

There were 300 delegates, representing Labour women's organisations in all parts of the kingdom.

"Some people think," said Miss Colman, "that our sole purpose in this war is to defeat Hitler and Mussolini, and that having done so they can return comfortably to their pre-war lives."

"But things cannot be the same again. We are fighting this war, not only to destroy a vile thing, but so that on its ruins we may build a better world, worthy of the great sacrifices made."

### Ordinary People

"This war will have been won by ordinary people in the fighting services and in the factories, and by women who have kept their homes going in the face of great difficulty. Never again must their interests be sacrificed to those of the so-called Government classes. Social and political inequality must go."

"Whatever the war may do, we must see to it that the essential social services, especially those concerned with the health and education of children, are maintained and expanded. An underfed and uneducated people cannot build a better world."

Miss Mary Sutherland, Chief Woman Officer of the Labour Party, read to the conference a message of goodwill from women's representatives of the Social Democratic Movement in European countries.

**London Homeless**  
Mrs Barbara Ayrton Gould, bringing greetings from the Labour Party Executive, said that the Labour representatives in the Government were doing magnificent work.

"If we had not gone into the Government when we did we should not be speaking here to-day."

"But we are not the Government, we are only in the Government, and our Ministers can only do as much as public opinion enables them to do."

"The position of the homeless in London has been a scandal. We have been kicking and trying to get something done."

"Finally, after weeks of disgraceful inaction, public opinion was worked up to such an extent that Herbert Morrison was put in instead of Sir John Anderson."

Conference passed an emergency resolution endorsing the declaration of the Labour Party that a lasting peace may be brought nearer by stating clearly our immediate war purpose."

### Billet Dodgers

During discussion on evacuation problems, Miss Susan Lawrence, referring to billeting, said:

"I want to see the large houses taking their share with the smaller houses, and they are not doing it."

"The billeting officers in some localities are up against the force of the feudal system."

The conference demanded that the Ministry of Food should fix prices of all essential foods at a level within the reach of all workers.

Miss Mary Sutherland described some of the breadstuffs about food as "a pain in the neck," and the B.B.C. talks about cookery were criticised as "foolish."

## MILITARY HONOURS FOR TEDDY

The Royal Canadian Dragoons' last horse, "Teddy," a veteran of the last war, has been shot at St. John's, Quebec, and was later buried with military honours. The Dragoons are now a mechanised unit.

## More Women In War Industry

The move to absorb more women into war-time industry, which has the Woman Power Committee, authorised by Mr. Bevin, Minister of Labour, behind it, is likely to develop shortly.

The Ministry of Labour has issued an instruction in regard to the training of welfare workers for the engineering industry, and has asked a number of organisations in touch with women to recommend candidates.

Among these organisations is the British Federation of Business and Professional Women, of which Miss Caroline Haslett, the well-known woman engineer, is president.

### Three Months' Training

Miss Haslett said that the candidates for welfare work, who must be over 25 and have a good educational background, will be given three months' training at a university.

Girls without means will not be penalised if they have the necessary qualifications, as living allowances will be made during training.

Hundreds of women were engaged as welfare workers in the munitions factories in the last war. The fact that training for this work is to begin almost immediately suggests the possible absorption of more women into the engineering industry itself, for munition making, in the near future.

## Czech Helped Poles

The President of Poland, M. Ryzkiewicz, has decorated M. Jurny Slavik, Czechoslovak Envoy in Warsaw until the outbreak of war, with the Grand Cross of Polonia Restituta, one of the highest Polish Government's appreciation of the excellent work M. Slavik did in Poland.

The President stressed at the ceremony the necessity for closer collaboration and understanding between the two nations after their restoration.

Since the formation of the new Polish Government by Gen. Sikorski the relations between the representatives of Poland and Czechoslovakia in England have rapidly improved. Until the outbreak of war the two countries were far from friendly.

## SON OF GERMAN DOCTOR

# Took Photos of Aircraft

THE son of a German doctor and the deputy commander of the town's Home Guards, was sentenced at Arundel, Sussex, recently to three months' imprisonment. He was also fined £30, with £2 15s. costs.

The man, William Troutler Holmes, aged 37, was charged with photographing aircraft and a wireless station at a naval aerodrome where he was employed.

Thomas Spencer, a fitter, said he saw Holmes, who had the bottom button of his coat fastened and the two above it unfastened, "standing hard" against some wire.

A plane was on the other side. He put his hand into his coat and bent over.

When some other civilians came along Holmes put a cigarette into his mouth and walked away. Later he came back and repeated his actions.

Harold Henry Sinclair, of Arundel, Holmes' employer and commander of the Home Guards, said Holmes used to lecture to the N.C.O.s on aircraft.

### Was At Sandhurst

Serjt Elphick said Holmes stated that he took a picture of a bomb crater in front of a wireless station for a lecture to the Home Guards on high explosives.

Mr H. S. Falconer, defending, said Holmes' father, a well-known German medical doctor, died some time ago.

Holmes was educated at Sandhurst and became a lieutenant.

When the war broke out he joined the Observer Corps because of his keenness in studying aeroplanes.

Mr Falconer complained that people in Arundel had been saying that Holmes was a Fifth Columnist.

## Ex-Convict Lived In Monastery

A 47-year-old Chinese, who declared that for seven years, from 1931 to 1938, he was in a monastery studying to become a Buddhist priest, pleaded guilty in Singapore recently to being a police supervisee who failed to report.

The man, Lee Hong, was convicted in the criminal district court on a charge of housebreaking on Apr. 22, 1939, and sentenced to three months' rigorous imprisonment, to be followed by a year's police supervision.

Discharged from prison in July, for the next seven months, until February, 1931, Lee reported regularly as a police supervisee.

### Arrest For Chandu

He failed to turn up in March, and a warrant was issued for his arrest on Mar. 9, 1931. In November of this year Lee was arrested by Customs officers in connection with a chandu offence, and his fingerprints proved that he was the police supervisee wanted for failing to report in March, 1931.

Lee admitted the facts, saying he had returned to China where he had studied for seven years to become a Buddhist priest, returning to Singapore in 1935.

The magistrate, Mr. Oon Khye Klang, sentenced Lee to four weeks' rigorous imprisonment.

# NEWSPAPER REPORTER NEARLY LET HIS EDITOR DOWN



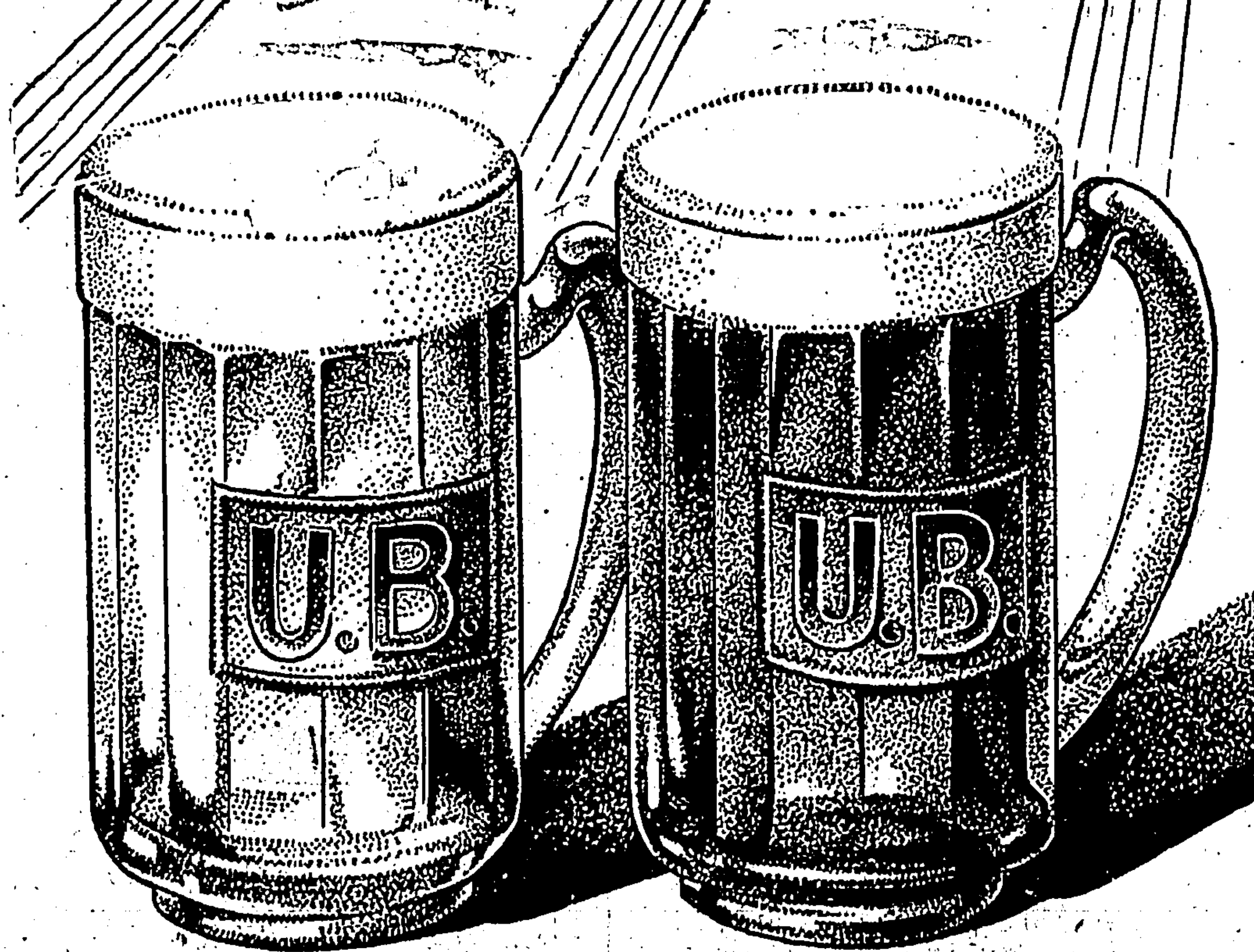
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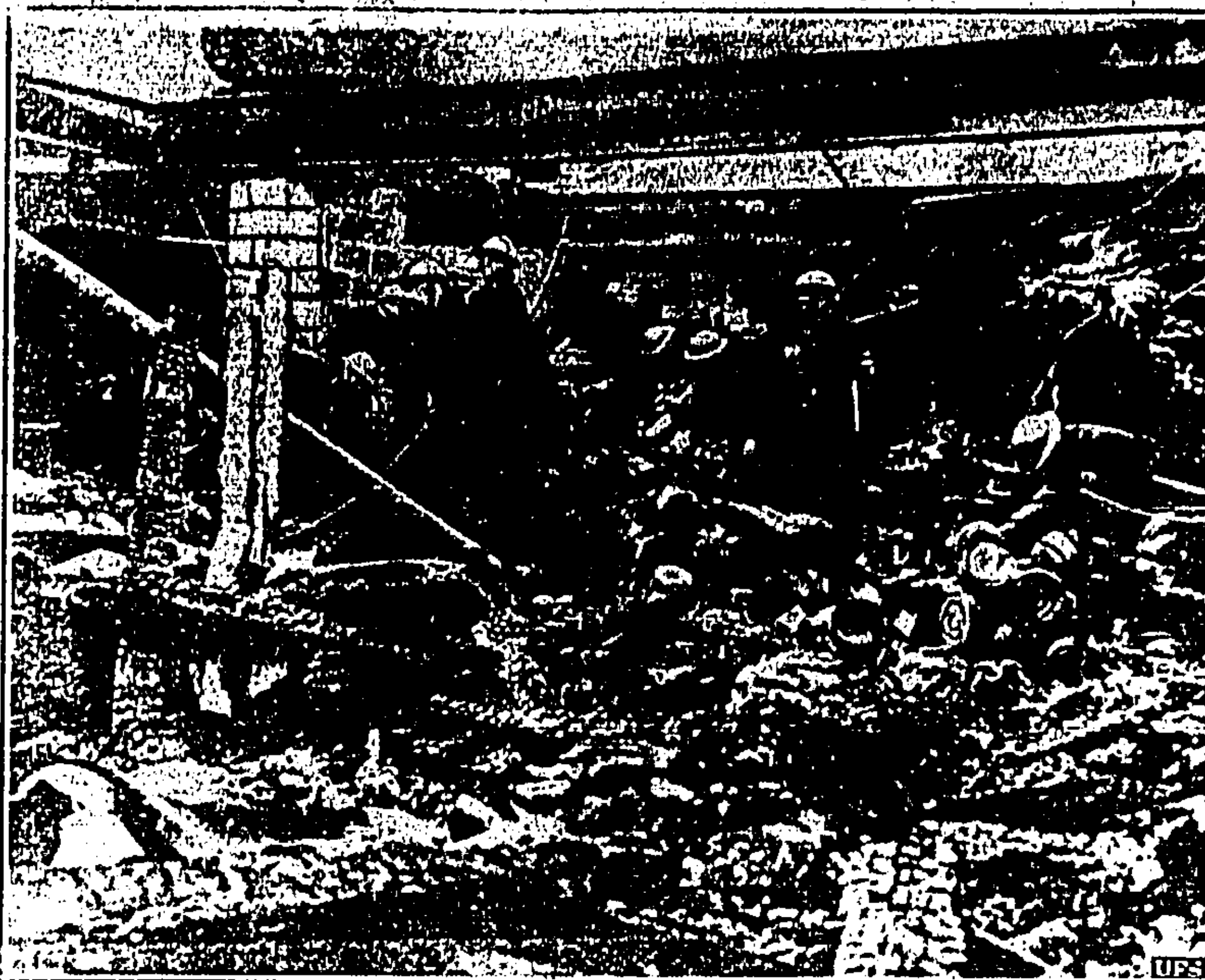


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FIVE-IN-DIME—This is what a Woolworth store in South London looked like after Nazi air raiders had flown over Britain's capital city and dropped their missiles of death and destruction. Incendiary bombs set store afire.

## Boxer's Son Surprises Grannies

Mrs. Gillies, Hunter Street, Dykehead, Shotts, called "Come in" in response to a knock at her door, thinking it was someone she knew.

To her surprise a strapping young Canadian soldier appeared saying, "Hello, granny." She had to think. The soldier was Pte. Jim Whiteford, Canadian Scottish, her grandson, and son of Bob Whiteford, the one-time Scottish heavy-weight boxing champion.

After a meal and wash-up he travelled to Hasselrigg Row, Hartmill, where his "Granny Whiteford" was taken by complete surprise. Jim exclaimed, "Hello, granny, just paying you a short visit, and to see my native home."

Jim emigrated with his parents 13 years ago, when only a schoolboy. He is also a cousin of Jack Whiteford, the Ayr United centre half, now with Hibs.

## GREAT AIR WAR DECISION

How the Spitfire Was Born

When, five years ago, we began in earnest to build a new Air Force, one of the greatest problems was the armament of our fighters, writes an Air correspondent. At all costs, our striking power must be as good as, and if possible better than, that of the enemy.

The position was complicated because on the Continent there was a pronounced disposition to resort to the use of cannon. We had always pinned our faith to the machine-gun, and were reluctant to substitute a heavier weapon that was still in the experimental stage.

The Air Staff determined on a bold expedient. It would obtain as much fire-power as a shell by increasing the number of machine-guns. The actual number decided upon, however, was so staggering as to appear fantastic, for the aim was to employ in each single-seater fighter no fewer than eight. And the machine carrying them must have a speed of about 350 miles per hour.

This requirement was essential, for the Germans were at that time beginning to produce bombers that

were faster than any fighter we possessed.

### Urgent Action

Urgent action was necessary, for in the ordinary course it would have been impossible to put a revolutionary new fighter into production in less than three years.

A Squadron Leader, specialist of the R.A.F. thereupon paid a visit to the Supermarine works, at which a famous designer, the late Mr. R. J. Mitchell, had evolved a new high-speed monoplane fighter. It was an excellent job, and Mr. Mitchell was asked if he could put up the speed and at the same time fit eight machine-guns.

Work was begun on what the Air Minister has recently described as one of the great decisions in the history of air war. It was kept a close secret, but now we know the result—the Spitfire.

Simultaneously the Hawker firm was asked to produce a fighter to the same specification. Out of that came the Hurricane.

### REPORTS OF THEFTS

Mrs. F. R. Lamb, of No. 523 The "Oak," reported to the Police on Sunday that clothing valued at \$138 was stolen from her residence.

Theft of clothing, valued at \$30, has been reported to the Police by Mrs. Chan Yin-hing, of No. 1 Castle Road.

### LATE NEWS

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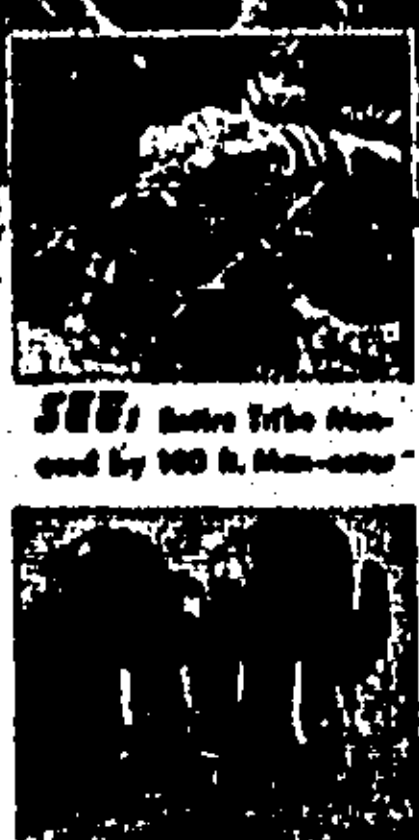
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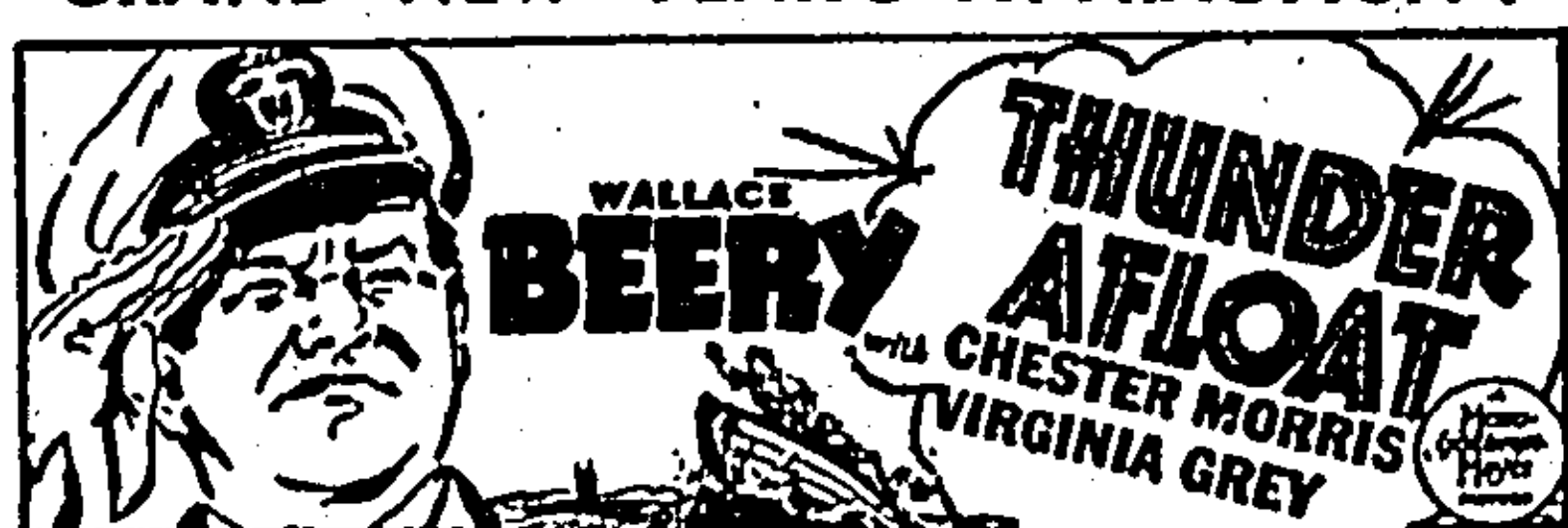
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Mrs. Dorothy Stewart, of Killiney, Co. Dublin, a visitor to Brixham, Devon, was fined £5 at Brixham recently for unlawfully attempting to obtain butter. It was stated that a letter from Mrs. Stewart to a Dublin dairy, ordering butter, was intercepted by the Censor.

Pleading guilty, Mrs. Stewart said she had sent butter from Dublin to her son and daughter in England. She knew that her letter to the dairy would be opened by the Censor, but was unaware that it was an illegal large-scale commercial shipbuilding.

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Special to the "Telegraph"

BERLIN, DEC. 30 (UP).—USUALLY RELIABLE UNOFFICIAL GERMAN QUARTERS UNDERSTAND THAT THE ANSWER TO PRESIDENT ROOSEVELT WILL COME DIRECTLY FROM HITLER, BUT WHETHER THE ANSWER WILL BE IN THE FORM OF A HITLER SPEECH, OR IN A SEMI-OFFICIAL OR AUTHORIZED UTTERANCE ALONG LINES DIRECTED BY THE FUHRER HIMSELF, IS NOT YET KNOWN.

Greeks Score Another Victory

### One Nazi Division Arrives In Albania

Special to the "Telegraph"

STRUGA, Dec. 30 (UP).—Reports from the frontier state that the Greeks re-entered Lin about 9 a.m. although it is not yet known whether the occupation of the town is assured. The Greeks are reported to have re-entered the town after all-night preparation, and then repulsing fierce Italian counter attacks.

### NAPLES IS BOMBED

Official Rome Report

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"  
ROME, Dec. 30 (UP).—Today's communiqué says that last night British planes in successive waves dropped leaflets and bombs on Naples, killing seven and wounding some.

A British attack was repulsed in the Janniboli zone an important oasis, on the road near the Libyan frontier. In the frontier zone at Cirenaica, artillery fire continued around Bardia. Some small British mechanized units were repulsed while trying to approach the Italian defenses. Without being disturbed Italian naval units, effected a lengthy and destructive shelling of Anglo-Greek military preparations on the Greek and Albanian coasts.

On the Greek front the Greeks were repulsed with heavy losses while attempting local actions. The Italians bombed Preveza and caused heavy damage and fires on the port and on one ship which was anchored there.

**Besieged Italians Reply**  
SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"  
CAIRO, Dec. 30 (UP).—The General Headquarters communiqué says: "The enemy artillery at Bardia was somewhat more active yesterday in reply to our continued fire. Our troops sustained no damage or interruption in their preparations which are proceeding smoothly."

### CHINESE ARMY STRONGER

MOSCOW, Dec. 30 (Reuters).—"The fighting ability of the Chinese Army has increased in the past year," declares the Soviet paper "Red Star," which attributes the increase to the opening of the Burma Road and the development of war industries in the south-west provinces.

Pointing out that Japan's desire to end the so-called Sino-Japanese incident has not been fulfilled, the Soviet paper foresees the continuation of a long war "exhaustive for Japan."

### Greetings From Sir Geoffrey Northcote

The following telegram has been received by His Excellency the Officer Administering the Government from His Excellency Sir G. A. S. Northcote, K.C.M.G.:

24th December, 1940.  
Please accept on behalf of yourself and all in the Colony my warmest good wishes for Christmas and 1941.

Pending issuance of the answer mentioned, German authorized sources, in reply to the correspondent's questions, refused any kind of reaction, merely saying, "We have no instructions and have absolutely no comment to make." It is learned that Ribbentrop is now studying the Roosevelt speech personally.

The "Telegraph" Wishes its Readers a very Happy and Prosperous New Year

### RAINFALL RECORD MISSED

Colony's 117 Inches

With the sun shining fitfully through the clouds on the last day of the year, Hongkong is narrowly failing to beat a 50-year-old rainfall record which at one time seemed to be "in the bag."

The total rainfall to date for 1940 is 117.69 inches. The highest total for any one recorded year is 119.715 in 1889. Thus by 2.025 inches, a margin that will probably never be so narrow twice in a single lifetime, the record has been missed.

Looking back at the last four months we find that the total rainfall crept up in this wise: the beginning of September, 109.10 inches, the beginning of October 112.69 inches, the beginning of November 113.97 inches to the beginning of December 117.59 inches from which it increased by but a fraction.

The average rainfall for the year is 65.15 inches. After reaching the huge figure at the beginning of September of 109.10 inches compared to the average figure for that time of 67.35 inches, rain had merely to fall at an average rate and the record would have been easily exceeded. As it was, December was almost dry, an event that has been recorded only twice.

### American Chemist Shot Dead

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

MANILA, Dec. 30 (UP).—A report to the Manila Tribune from Manila, Occidental Negros Province, says that Mr. Addison Kenney, 35, a chemist from California and employed by the North Negros Sugar Central was shot and killed to-day by Felix Vasquez, 40, a sugar planter, following a quarrel over a sugar transaction.

## Income Tax For The Straits Settlements

Special to the "Telegraph"

SINGAPORE, Dec. 30 (UP).—The Straits Settlements and the Federated Malay States, one of the few parts of the British Empire without any income tax, are likely to see the line as a result of the recommendations of a joint committee advocating a war tax designed to raise £2,500,000 to be presented to the Empire Government.

Incomes under £575 would be exempted, and the scale graduated until the tax would be eight per cent. on incomes above £2,400 yearly.

Roosevelt Delighted

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

WASHINGTON, Dec. 30 (UP).—President Roosevelt's Secretary, Mr. Stephen Early, said the President is "tremendously pleased" with the response to his broadcast proclaiming an "emergency as serious as war itself," and pledging greater material aid to Britain.

However, he did not comment on the angry Axis reaction to the speech or the Berlin report that Hitler might answer President Roosevelt's indictment of the Axis.

The President followed up his pledge regarding more aid to Britain: he invited Mr. Arthur Purvis, head of the British Purchasing Commission to a White House luncheon conference, which was also attended by Mr. Henry Morgenthau, Secretary of the Treasury.

Mr. Early said that the President had received 600 messages within 40 minutes of the conclusion of the speech, adding that "100 to 1 they generally approved of the President's pronouncement."

**Potential Enemies**  
NEW YORK, Dec. 30 (Reuters).—"By bluntly announcing that he regards the German-Italian-Japanese pact as directed against the United States, the President has put all the three countries on notice that he regards them as potential, if not actual, enemies."

This sentence is contained in the "New York Times" editorial on President Roosevelt's talk in which it is also stated that the overwhelming majority of the country will agree wholeheartedly with his central thesis that victory of the Axis Powers would mean a "new and terrible era."

"The New York Herald-Tribune" describes the address as a "high class" and says that the President's aim to see the facts as they are is the one thing that all those who have been urging the American people to send aid to Britain.

**Treated With Reserve**

LONDON, Dec. 30 (Reuters).—The Lyons Radio to-night treated President Roosevelt's speech with great care.

Comment was that the speech was "as important as has been expected" and that the intensity of the state-ment that nothing would stop American aid to Britain "goes beyond the limits of official style and is certain to arouse passionate comment all over the world."

Extracts of the speech were quoted by the Lyons Radio but the quotations were remarkable for the fact that many references to National Socialists and their policies were omitted; the summary given was that issued by the German official news agency.

**Italian Comment**

LONDON, Dec. 30 (Reuters).—"Roosevelt pretends that America is not interested in the Axis," says the "Giornale d'Italia," adding that the Axis Powers have been tolerant up to now, but there is a limit to tolerance.

The war, says the newspaper, is being fought to liberate Europe from British domination. It asserts that Britain cannot win the war and that American help would be "a sheer waste and not without some risk to herself."

**Japanese Criticism**

TOKYO, Dec. 30 (Reuters).—The assertion that President Roosevelt's policy is driving the United States closer to war is made by the Japanese newspaper, "Yomiuri Shimbun." President Roosevelt's statement that he believed that the Axis Powers were not going to win the war was dismissed by the "Yomiuri Shimbun" as "utterly irresponsible" and the newspaper adds that whatever the situation may be in the coming year, the responsibility must be borne partly by the United States.

## A SAFE HAVEN FOR THE LITTLE ONES

A number of evacuee toddlers from the bombed areas of London have found safety at the L.C.C. Ashford Nursery in Middlesex. The nursery is equipped with shelters where the children can sleep and have their meals, if necessary. In this picture we see some of the babies being conducted to the shelter.



## JAPANESE DEMANDS ARE MINIMUM FOR EXISTENCE

STOCKHOLM, Dec. 30 (Reuters).—Japan does not intend to aggravate the present situation in the Pacific provided that her own existence is not gravely threatened, said Dr Itoh, the Japanese Minister of Information, to the correspondent of the Swedish newspaper, "Social Democratic" to-day.

Dr Itoh added that Japanese policy, based on the alliance with the Axis, was directed against no nation; it merely defined the minimum demands necessary for Japan's existence. Dr Itoh declared that Japan hoped to persuade the United States and Britain to sympathize with her view that each nation should play an unhindered role in its own part of the world. In Eastern Asia Japan's aim was reconstruction on the basis of international justice which would also promote world peace.

## Vivid Story Of Nazi Fire Raid On London City

Special to the "Telegraph"

LONDON, Dec. 30 (UP).—(By telephone to New York).—The business district "city," a mile square of narrow, crooked streets and ancient buildings, emerged battered and begrimed from the greatest fire in 300 years after to-night's Nazi air raid which the Government charged was a deliberate attempt to destroy the area regardless of military objectives.

Thousands of Londoners for many hours fought the blinding flames and choking smoke caused by thousands of incendiary bombs which were dropped from hundreds of bombers.

Scores of buildings were left in smouldering ruins before the British night fighters repulsed the attack. The air raid sirens shrieked throughout the London area at nightfall and almost immediately there was a heavy rain of incendiary bombs. The anti-aircraft guns started firing and the raid reached an intensive pitch.

**Three-Hour Raid**  
Planes criss-crossed the sky and dropped countless fire bombs. Great sheets of flames spread from house to house while civilians stood fascinated and watched the gigantic spectacle. The crash of bombs and the chatter of machine-guns, while the fire fighters struggled to combat the conflagration.

The raid ended after three hours, but the fires continued until dawn. Although the fires in London were very spectacular, many other centres in the London area were hit. Many buildings on the side streets adjacent to Tower Hill were damaged. In another district the clang of fire trucks filled the crowded streets.

**Guildhall In Ruins**  
LONDON, Dec. 30 (UP).—Guildhall is in ruins. It is the most important historical monument to be destroyed during the war. Other buildings that were damaged in the city of London include Old Bailey, the Ancient Guilders Company Hall, the School of Music, and the Carlton Club on St. Swinburn's Lane. The famous hostelry Cheshire was endangered by fire from a building nearby. Considerable damage was done to Moorgate stores.

## NO "TELEGRAPH" TO-MORROW

To-morrow, being New Year's Day, the "Hongkong Telegraph" will not publish. Publication will resume on Thursday, January 2.

### Red Army Takes Former C's-in-C.

MOSCOW, Dec. 30 (Reuters).—The former Commanders-in-Chief of the Lithuanian, Estonian and Latvian armies have been appointed Lieutenant-Generals in the Red Army.

These officers are Generals Vitkevskis, Jonson and Klavins respectively. Sixteen other officers of the armies of the former Baltic states have been appointed Major-Generals in the Red Army. Lithuania, Estonia and Latvia were incorporated in the Soviet Union last August.

### Arms Loan To China & Greece Possible

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"  
WASHINGTON, Dec. 30 (UP).—Mr. Henry Morgenthau, Secretary of the Treasury, indicated to-day that President Roosevelt may extend the arms loan and lease plan to China and Greece as well as Britain. "The proposal might apply to anybody," he declared.

### Frankfurt Raided

LONDON, Dec. 30 (Reuters).—One of the objectives raided by British bombers in Germany on Sunday night was a military objective in the Frankfurt area, it was learnt in London to-night.

## Chengtu Drome Raided By Japanese Aircraft

Special to the "Telegraph"

A JAPANESE NAVAL AIR BASE, Dec. 31. (Domei).—Twenty-nine grounded Chinese aeroplanes were set on fire and 11 others damaged by bombing when a combat formation of Japanese Naval aircraft swooped down upon the Chengtu aerodrome on Monday afternoon, the Press Bureau of the Japanese Fleet in Central China announced in a communiqué last night.

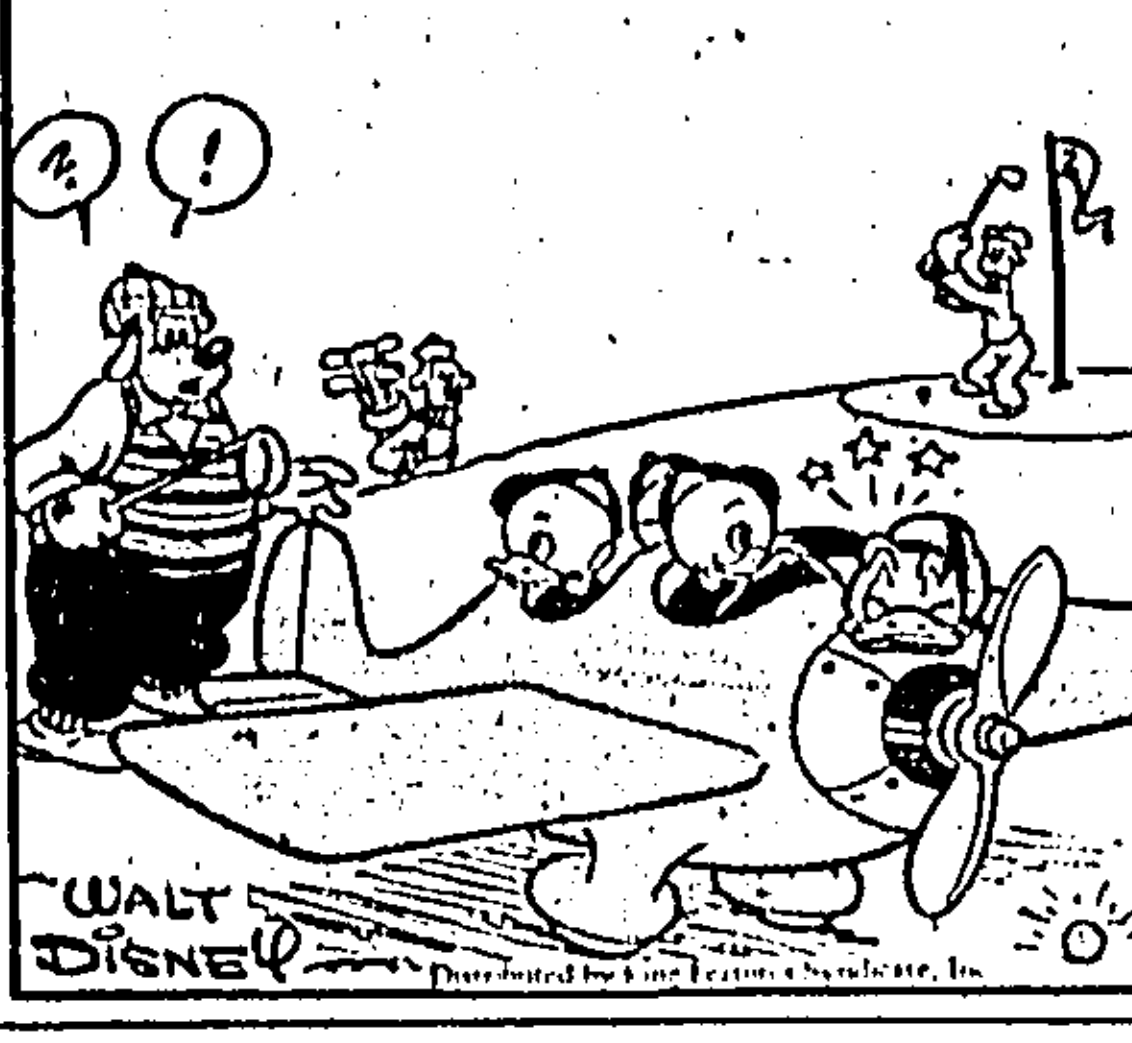
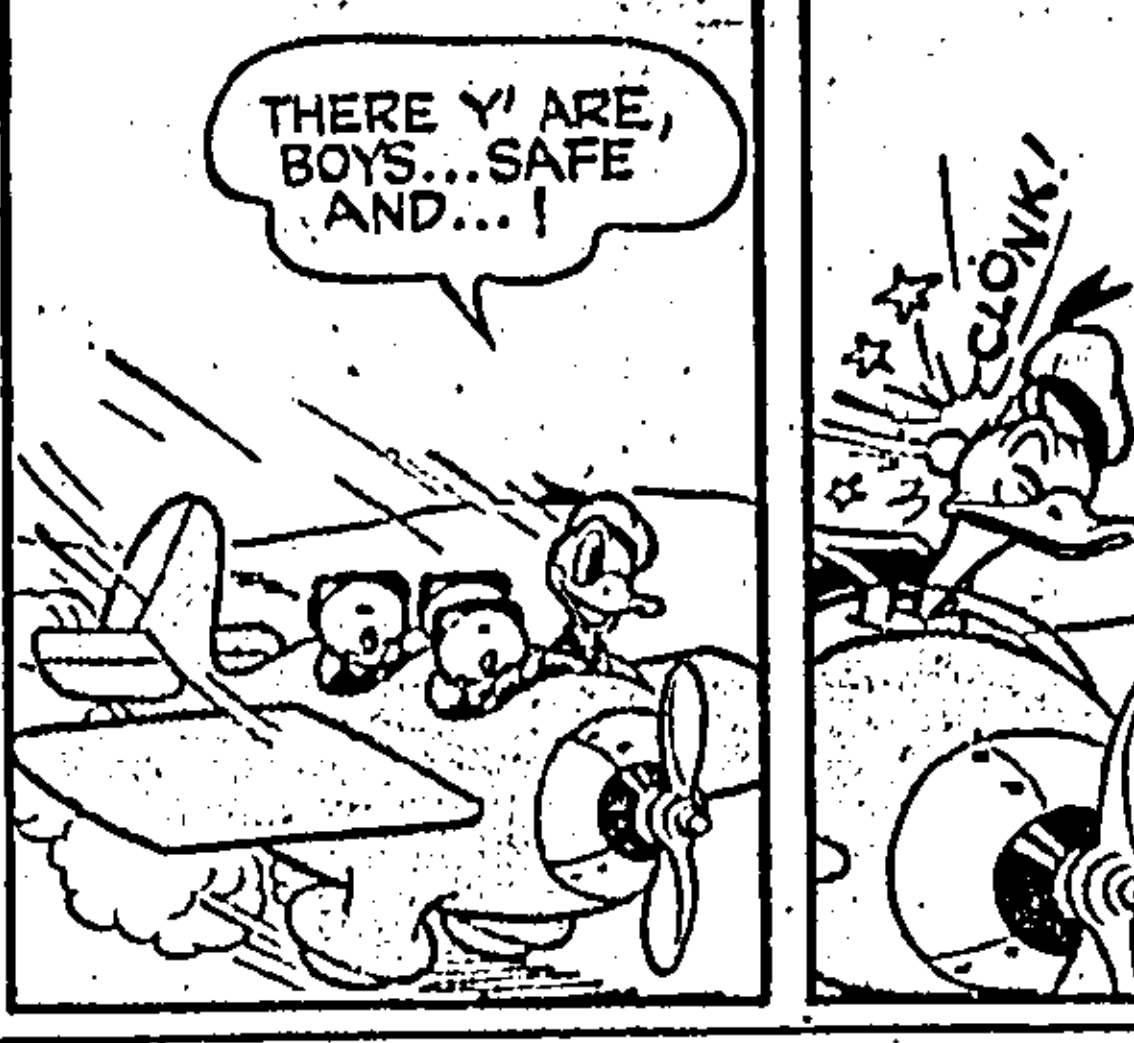
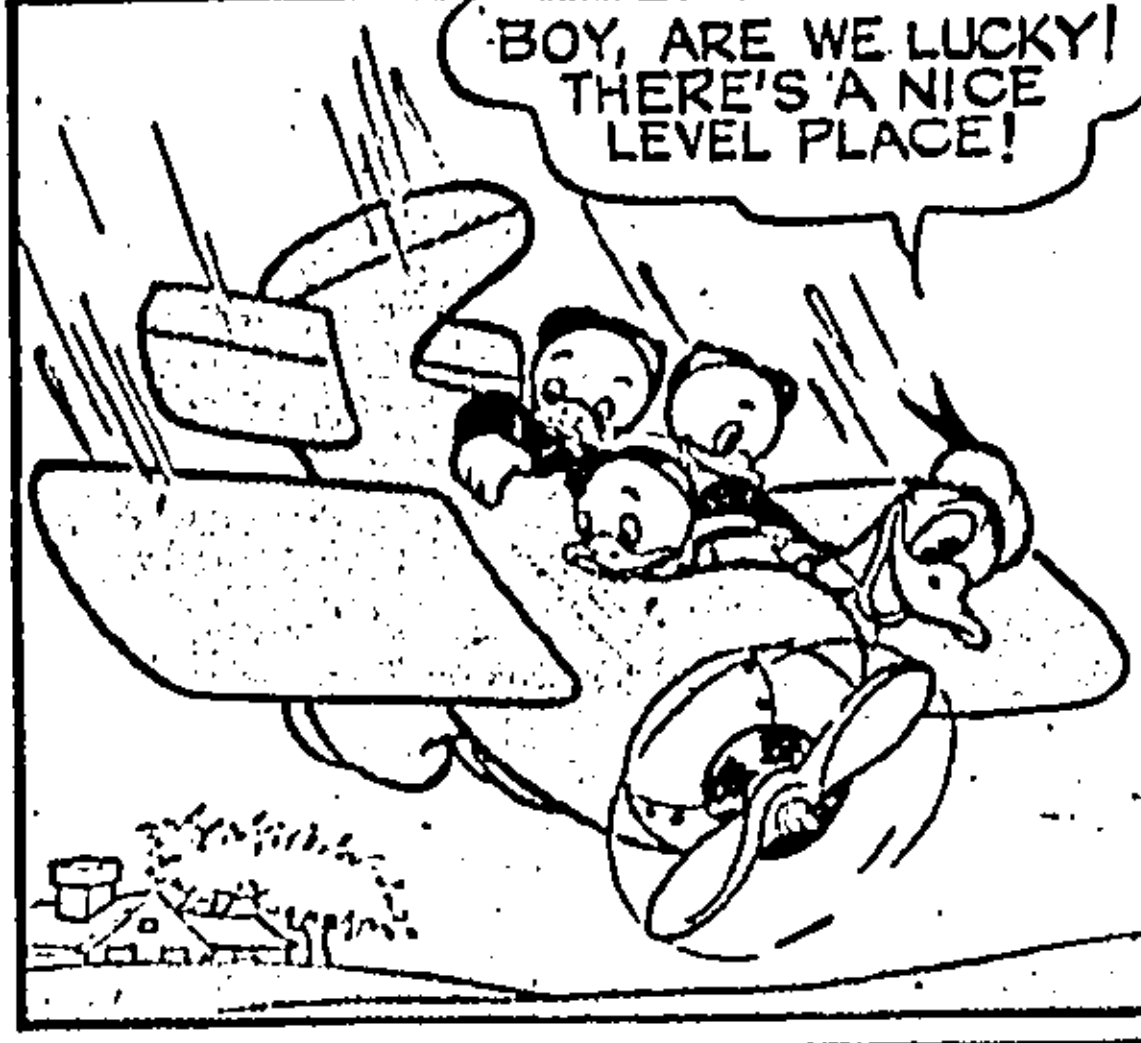
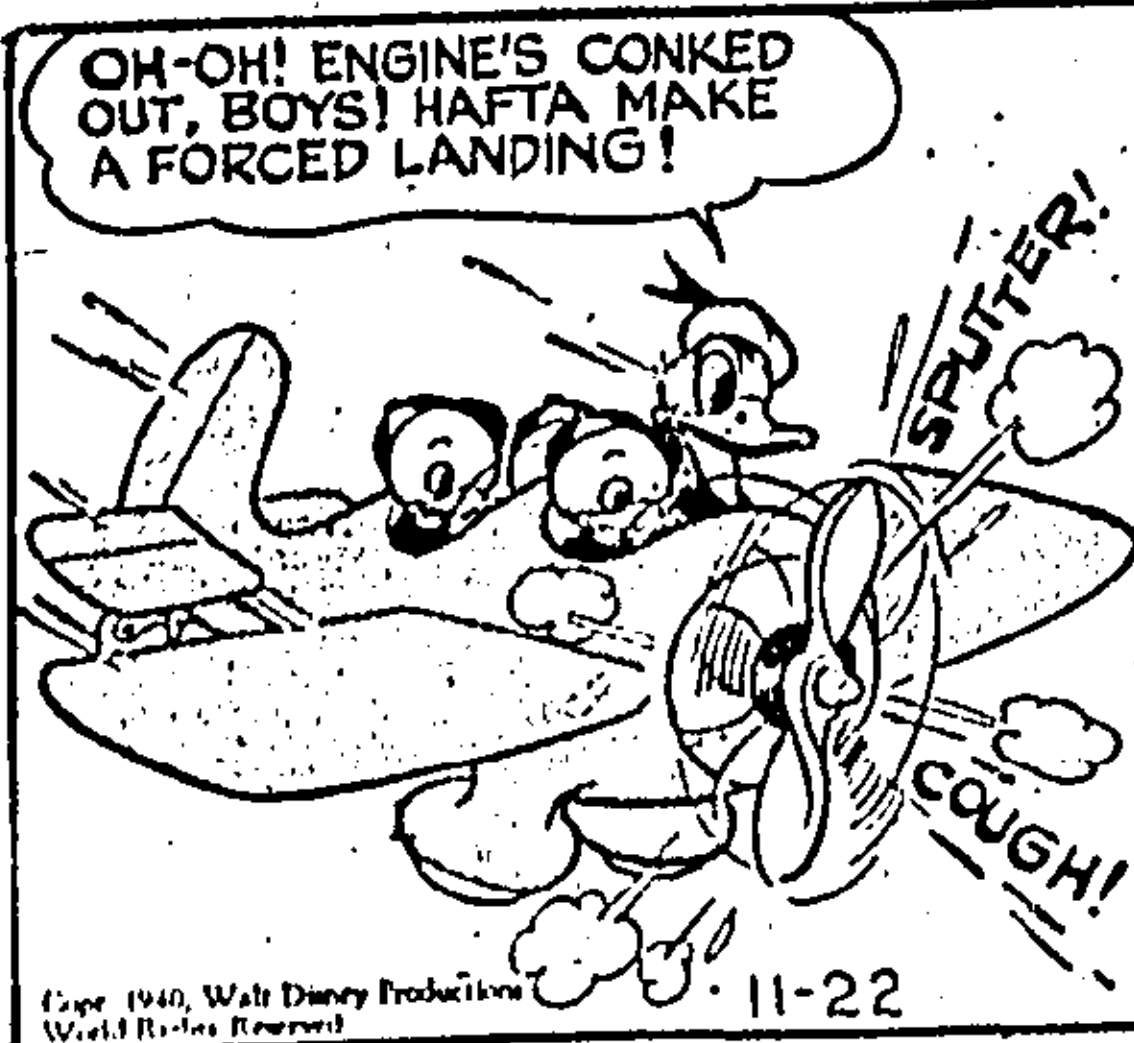
Three of 18 craft set on fire were large transports or bombers and the remainder were smaller combat and reconnaissance machines while those damaged were smaller craft. Despite violent anti-aircraft fire, all Japanese machines' crews returned to their bases unharmed, the communiqué stated. A raid was also carried out against Enshih, Chinese military base south-west of Ichang in Hupeh Province where three fires were started.







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## MAGAZINE PAGE



A DRAMATIC picture of the Nazi mass raid in Dover Harbour. The enemy planes—25 were brought down—can be seen turning away after releasing their bombs, all of which missed their objective.

### Postal Workers In Raids

Taking up the defence of post office workers against the complaints of delay in the services and of the closing of post offices during the period of air raid warnings, Mr T. J. Hodgson, general secretary of the Union of Post Office Workers, said recently that the post office had been faced with a problem of understaffing as well as air raids. Many post office workers had been called to the Colours, and it would not have been forgotten that on a recent occasion the King commented on the number of postmen now in the ranks.

Thousands of post office workers had been working 12 hours a day, Sundays included, for a long time. Apart from the exceptional cases in which men had lost their homes entirely there were others who could not get home, night after night. Their duty ended at the time the enemy began. Post office workers were not afraid to do their duty, and more than their duty, but many places, like sorting offices, had glass roofs, with only wire netting protection, and the work of increasing the protection took time. Telephonists, holding the vital communications of the country, could be fairly described as in the front line. They were doing splendid work. The telegraph service was snowed under, as well it might be.

Mr Hodgson said that the closing of the public counters on the receipt of air raid warnings was a departmental regulation. Post office workers had not asked for preferential treatment over the rest of the workers shouldering the burden in these days.

### Morale with Jam On It

BY RITCHIE CALDER

WE are going to have morale with jam on it. For Vitamin B<sub>1</sub>, which will appear in our bread, by Government orders, is the "anti-jitter vitamin."

Lack of it impairs our will to resist and our fighting efficiency. It leads to nervous debility and lethargy.

"People suffering from even a minor degree of deficiency of Vitamin B<sub>1</sub> in their diet," says Sir John Orr in "Feeding the People in War-time," "have no stomach for a fight."

That was true of the troops who capitulated at Kut. After desperate fighting General Townsend's troops were invested at Kut.

At first they accomplished great feats of courage, but as the siege progressed they became afflicted with beri-beri due to lack of Vitamin B<sub>1</sub> in their food, and with it came deterioration.

Its progress is described in a saying in the East: "It is better to walk than to run; it is better to stand than to walk; it is better to lie than to stand; it is better to sleep than to wake; it is better to die than to live."

That might be a doctor's diagnosis of the phases of Vitamin B<sub>1</sub> deficiency.

**B<sub>1</sub> PEP**

Similarly, the collapse of the Italians at Caporetto in October, 1917, was partly a question of bad feeding. Their rations were grossly inadequate and so was their Vitamin B<sub>1</sub>.

Now that does not mean that the chemist can give us courage according to a prescription and it does not mean that we can swallow Vitamin B<sub>1</sub> as Popeye, the Sailor, swallows his canned spinach and then shout: "Where's that tiger?"

According to reports that is what the Germans have been trying to do with their troops. They have been giving them "neat" Vitamin B<sub>1</sub> before they went into battle.

But what this new development means is that the population will be guaranteed, through a staple article of diet, the Vitamin B<sub>1</sub> of which they might be deprived through lack

of the variety of foodstuffs from which they derived it in peace-time. It means that our natural courage and will to win will not be capped away through any deficiency in our diet. And it is not a dope.

**WHOLEMEAL**

We could get it naturally if we eat wholemeal bread, but about 95 per cent. of the population are hopelessly addicted to white. And to get white bread the millers have to remove the bran and germ of the wheat which are rich in Vitamin B<sub>1</sub>.

"Now they are putting back what they took out, but in war-time that has its advantages. White flour keeps indefinitely. Wholemeal flour does not. So we can hoard white flour."

Furthermore, we need the bran and millers' offal as essential feeding stuffs for our cattle. In other words, we can have our cake and they can eat it.

The Vitamin B<sub>1</sub>, which will be added to the flour before it reaches the bakers, is known as "aneurin" because it is good for the nerves. It is a pure crystalline substance for the manufacture of which a factory has been established.

Concentrated Vitamin B<sub>1</sub> in this form was first produced in America in 1936. The Germans also evolved it, and so did two British biochemists, Dr. A. Todd and Dr. Bergel.

For four years, scientists under the direction of Professor E. O. Dadds, world-famous expert, have been working on it, perfecting it so that it could be added to the flour at the mill and sent out with its mineral phosphate, calcium, and a crust of courage.

But she can rest assured that, under strict supervision, it will be there to provide us with a crumb of confidence and a crust of courage.

Furthermore, all our digestions will be the better for it. It will help our hearts and prevent at least some of our head aches.

If you want to be a stout-hearted fellow you can B<sub>1</sub>.

### This Spy's Job Is

SHE is a very beautiful blonde, old enough to be sophisticated, young enough to be glamorous. She haunts the most expensive hotels in Bucharest, talks Rumanian with a slight German accent, and sometimes whispers in quiet corners to bullet-headed Germans.

She looks like a Nazi agent, and acts like one. Her name is Edith von Ohler. And she makes no secret of the fact that she is a Nazi agent.

But Edith is different. She may glean valuable information as a spy. Far more important is her job of "giving away" secrets. She does not make eyes at high-powered Rumanian officers. Edith prefers cosy little business chats with editors of leading Rumanian papers.

She offers them articles: Secrets of the Siegfried Line, How Germany is Winning the War, and so on. Good articles, too, and all free.

Edith von Ohler calls herself a journalist, but she is in fact one of the leaders in Dr. Goebbels' propaganda drive into the Balkans.

Not only do the Nazis give away articles and photographs; they buy up whole newspapers to put over their propaganda. German newspapers are on sale at specially reduced prices.

The Italians are not far behind. There was an Italian named Colvino who brought the corpse of his wife to Greece and asked permission to erect a church in her memory.

The pious Greeks readily gave permission. Colvino built a magnificent place, called the Church of St. Catherine, and worshipped at the tomb of his wife every day.

Then people began having trouble with their wireless sets. Investigations were made and the "church" proved to be nothing less than a fully-equipped short-wave wireless station.

In Belgrade, Yugoslavia, Germans fitted

up the central telephone exchange. There is good reason to believe they installed secret listening-in apparatus, so that every telephone conversation in Belgrade can be overheard, by Gestapo agents who have taken over a certain house in the suburbs.

Another fertile ground for Nazi intrigues: bribery and corruption among state officials are rife. Wages are so poor that civil servants are expected to make up their pay by some other means. The Commander-in-Chief of a Balkan Army is considered highly paid. Yet he only gets £7 per week—£360 a year.

General Metaxas, virtual dictator of Greece, lives in a flat over a shop. Even ex-King Carol of Rumania, most ostentatious of monarchs, had to find various ways of supplementing his income, and his sister kept a greengrocer's shop just behind the royal palace.

Although politicians are painfully liable to be assassinated, there are always plenty of candidates for parliament, because of the power it gives, and the wire-pulling that can be done.

After all, an M.P. needs extra income. In Yugoslavia, for instance, an M.P. visiting his constituency thinks nothing of having to buy a round of drinks for 500 people at a time, which make rather a hole in his monthly salary of £45!

All this seems a most fertile ground for Axis intrigues. But there is one great stumbling-block. There are many different nationalities in the Balkans, and each nation is fiercely jealous of its independence. There are—Slavs, Czechs, Greeks, Turks, Macedonians, and most of the trouble in the Balkans is because some of these countries have a minority of other races under their domination.

For generations these minorities have been fighting for independence. Any attempt by Nazis or Italians to overrun the Balkans would cause even greater revolts.

That is why Hitler, for all his temptations, dare not step directly into the Balkans. He knows he would step into a nest of hornets.

### GIVING AWAY SECRETS

By Jane Condon

### FUNNY SIDE UP

By Abner Dean



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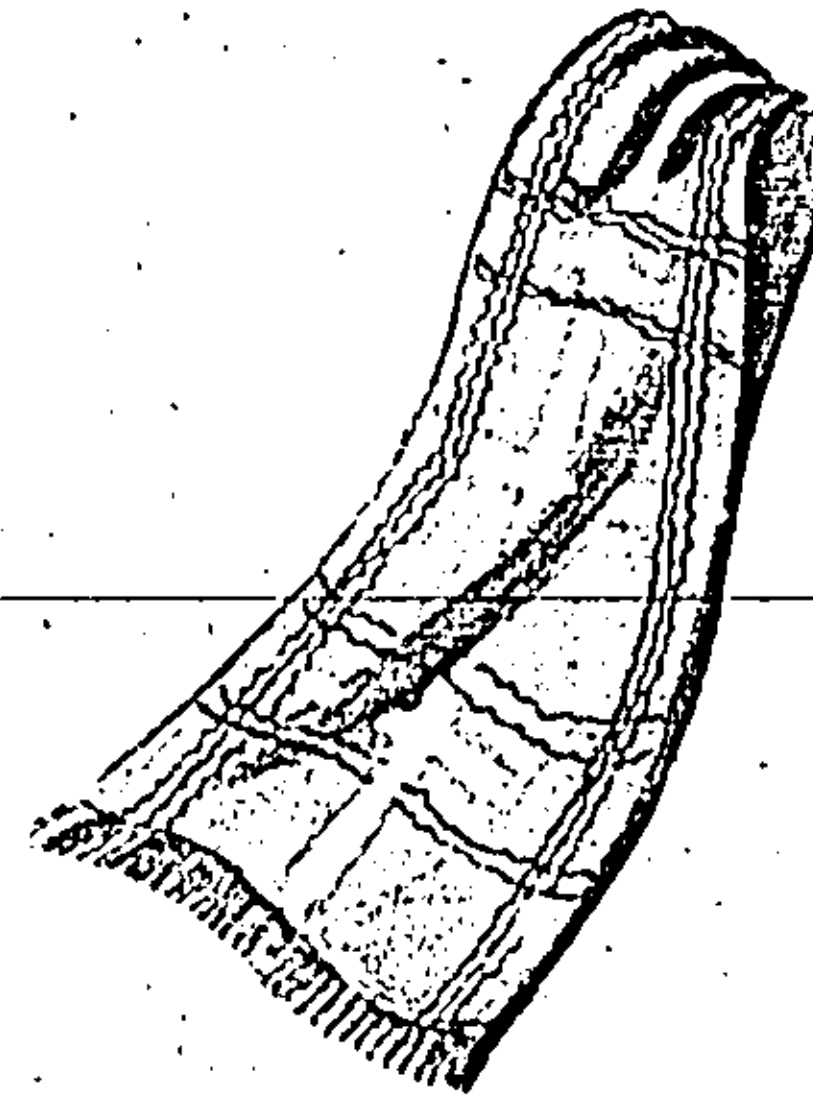
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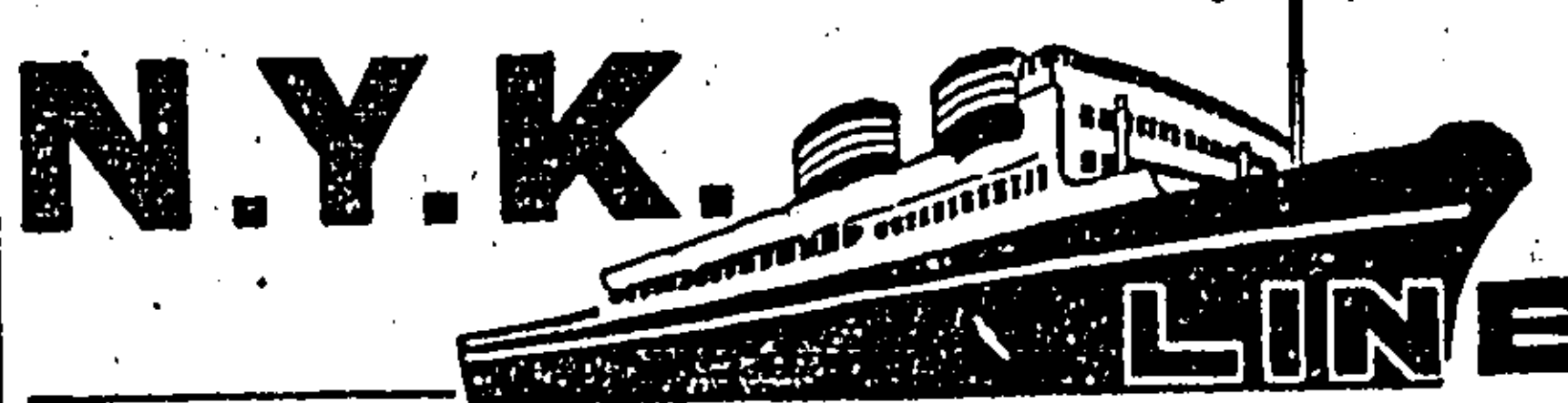
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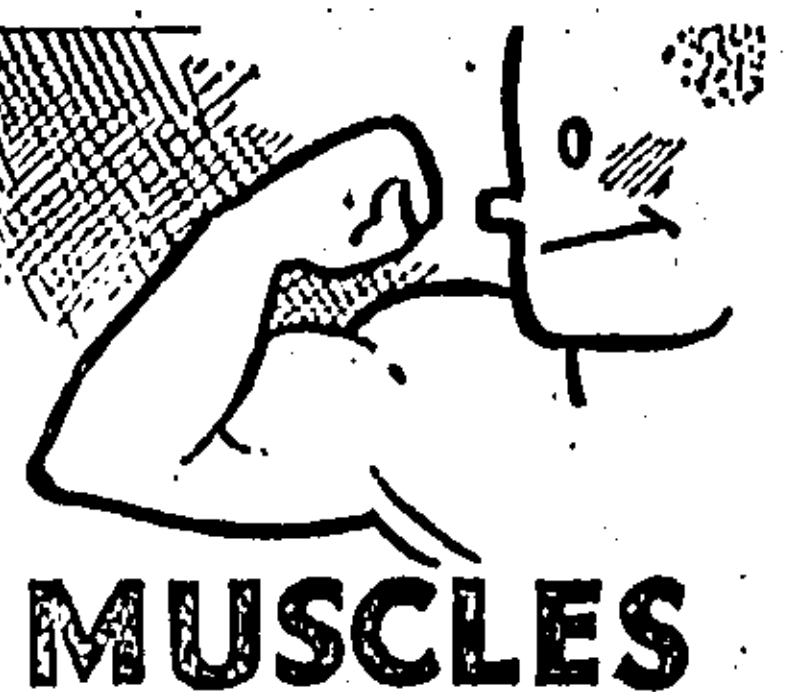
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PLEDGE & A WARNING

PRESIDENT Roosevelt has struck another mighty blow for the anti-Totalitarianism cause. He has told the three Axis Powers—Germany, Italy and Japan—in firm unequivocal terms, that the United States is prepared to go any lengths, should the necessity arise, to prevent world domination by these aggressor nations. In the meantime, he has promised Britain and her Empire, now engaged in a life and death struggle with a common enemy, expanded aid to the limit, short of war.

The cabled reports of the President's speech do not provide details of the proposed increased aid, but they are not difficult to guess. The Marquis of Lethbridge, before his untimely death, made it clear to Mr. Roosevelt that Britain would need financial assistance in the not distant future; there is little doubt that this will be forthcoming. Secondly, the President has made it known that he is closely studying ways and means of speeding up aeroplane supplies to Britain, and one suggestion, which apparently is being seriously contemplated, is that for pooling the resources of the American motor industry to provide for 500 planes a day. Thirdly there is the proposal, now being fully discussed in Washington, to hand over to Britain, Danish and Norwegian merchant ships tied up in American ports. Fourthly the President is studying the possibility of making available to the British navy additional destroyers for convoy work.

Thus the British nation can look forward to the new year with renewed hope. President Roosevelt yesterday let the world know that Britain's fight was America's fight, and though he pledged the nation that no American soldiers would be sent to Europe, he pointedly referred to the fact that the U.S. fleet was in the Pacific, inferring that it would be prepared to act against further aggression in the Far East.

Mr. Roosevelt's speech, in fact, was a highly stimulating new year message. While free of threats, it revealed a clear determination on

## THEIR JOB IS BEING BOMBED

I HAVE just been listening at headquarters of Coastal Command, R.A.F., to the almost incredible story of the most bombed men in Britain.

These men lead lives more amazing than any others in all the activities that combine to give Britain's Air Force that well-proven superiority, man for man, machine for machine, over the numerically stronger enemy.

They are the "Three Men in a Boat"—a little yellow armoured target motor-boat—who provide our bombers with the nearest thing to a real, live human target to be found anywhere.

Some would speculatively call them the "Bulldoze Squad." But these men laugh at that description of such a taken-for-granted, everyday job.

You meet them all round the coasts of Britain—wherever there is a sea target range for our bombers.

Their boats, painted yellow, so as to stand out well as targets, as they are smaller than any hostile craft our bombers have to take up their positions on the ranges when the daily practice times come round.

The three men are snug inside, under three and a half tons of armour. Colossal weight for so tiny a craft. But, even so, they wear crash-helmets and ear-protectors.

The armour covers the wheel house, engine room and hull. The rest of the boat is packed with a secret buoyant material to render it unsinkable.

Not one has ever yet been sunk. But several have been overturned by the force of the bombs.

The three men, specially trained to escape from their target in such emergencies, get clear till the craft rights itself, or is righted.

Then back they climb again, and carry on as usual.

The bombs weigh eleven pounds each. But despite their smallness they are sufficiently powerful when they register a direct hit to dent the thick armour plate of this powerfully protected man-controlled target and to give the crew inside an uncomfortable crack.

The percentage of hits is just as uncomfortably high, and has gone up enormously since the outbreak of war.

But the practice bombers don't have it all their own way. The three men in the little yellow boat give them a run for their money.

They streak along at twenty knots, turning, zig-zagging, watching the bomber's course and dodging it; pretending to be a hostile motor torpedo-boat, the smallest and nimblest objective our aircraft ever have to hit.

Securing a direct hit on a crash-diving U-boat, caused by surprise, is in comparison child's play.

Many a bomb-aimer who has sent a U-boat to its doom has a friendly thought in the moment of success for the fearless and hardy little three men in a boat who gave him practice.

There is not a single act of courage. It is just a routine incident in the daily round. One of them even makes a song about.

So much so that not one person I've met has ever heard of these silent heroes who pit their speed and armour against the precision bomb-aimers of the R.A.F.

There are many such crews and such boats. They belong to the Marine Craft Section of the R.A.F., and are operated by Coastal Command.

The crews receive the ordinary pay of their ranks. Their extraordinary job in contributing immensely to the deadly skill of British bombers.

And these bombers are now finding their mark in relentless and incessant raids on enemy objectives from Bergen to Brest and from Gibr. to the Red Sea.

## Fine Reduced By £14,500

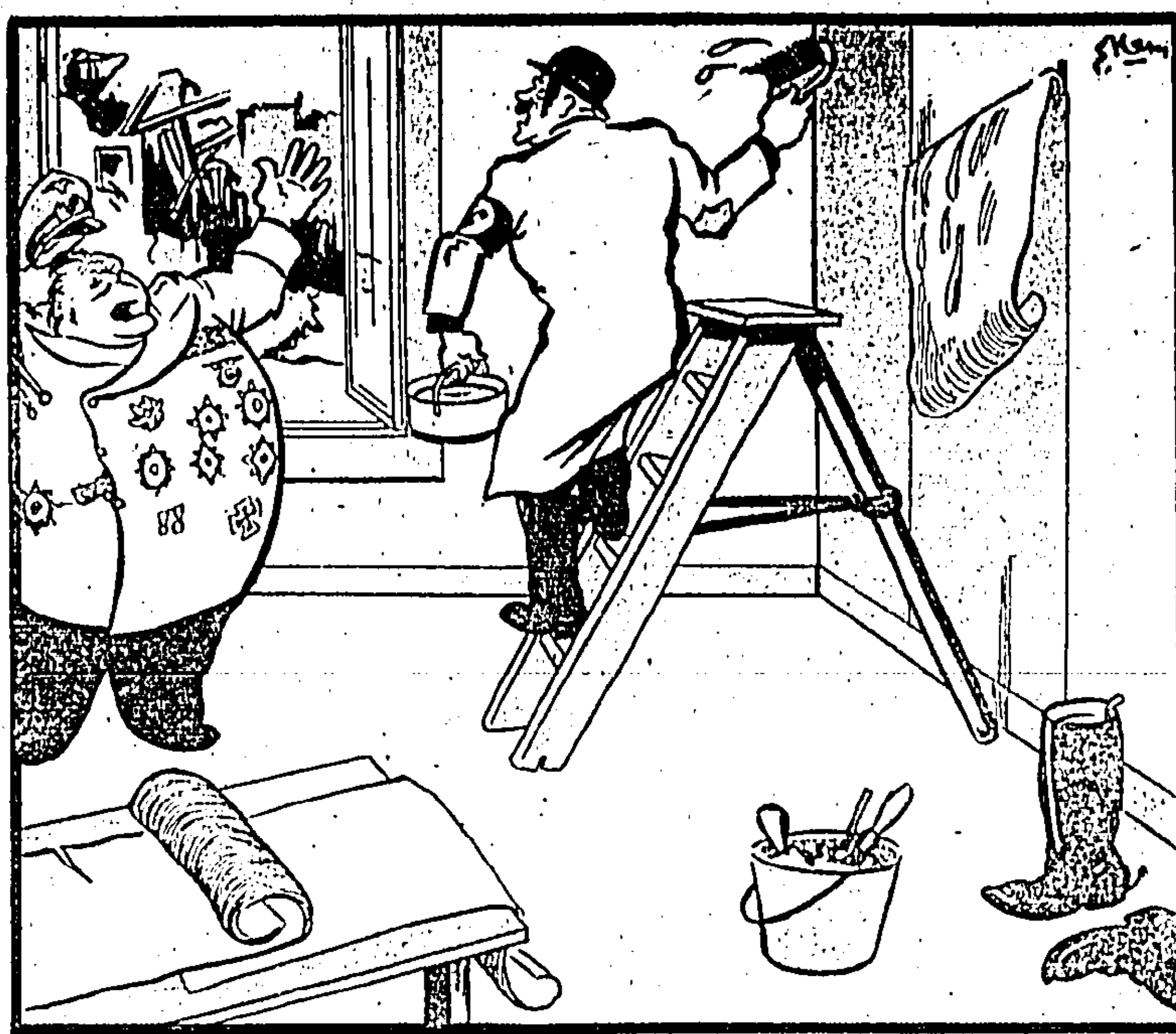
A fine of £15,000 and £25 costs which had been imposed by Sir Robert Dummatt at Bow Street Police Court was reduced to a fine of £500, and no order was made as to costs, by the London Sessions Appeals Committee recently.

The applicant was Leon Pendell Argenti, a company director, and he had been convicted of failing to offer two bars of gold and 400 sovereigns, valued together at £7,200, for sale to the Treasury.

Mr. L. A. Byrne, supporting the magistrate's decision, said that just before war broke out Argenti went to Belgium. He resigned from the directorship of an English company. He returned to this country on June 27, and in subsequent correspondence disclosed that he had been in possession of the gold.

On behalf of Argenti, Sir Patrick Hastings, K.C., said that a most unfortunate miscarriage of justice had taken place, for which no one was to blame. Argenti's father was an Englishman, and the applicant was educated at Marlborough and Oxford.

the part of the American President to support, both morally and physically, the cause of democracy, and it can be regarded as a solemn warning to the Axis alliance. Hitler and his partners would do well to note Mr. Roosevelt's renunciation of appeasement until aggressive Totalitarianism has been obliterated from the world.



HITLER. — "I am practising again... There will be plenty of work for paper-hangers after the war..."

## 15 YEARS FOR SINGING

The third chapter in an interesting eye-witness narrative of how the Nazis occupied a part of the United Kingdom—the Channel Islands. Told by a native to

**DUDLEY BARKER**

## "GOD SAVE THE KING"

Machine-Gun  
In Their Boat

THE Germans wasted no time in establishing their hold on Guernsey.

They occupied the island on Sunday, June 30, without many of the islanders knowing they were there. But on Monday, the first full day of their occupation, they saw to it that the whole island knew all about it.

As Fred Hockey said—Fred Hockey, the harbour signaller from St. Peter Port who later escaped to England to tell this story—they made a thorough job of it, once they started.

"Everybody who could hurried down to St. Peter Port that morning to see what was happening," he said, "and we found that the Germans had taken over all the chief hotels."

"They set up their headquarters in the Royal and the Channel Islands hotels."

"The officers were quartered in the Old Government House Hotel, and the N.C.O.'s in Moore's Hotel. Private soldiers were billeted in unoccupied houses all over the island. None was billeted on the island families."

Newspapers

Given Away  
"Although there were about 1,000 German troops on the island, and a few sailors came later to take over the harbour, the first thing we knew that Monday morning was that the island's two newspapers, the 'Press' and the 'Star', were being distributed free."

"They kept that up for three days, and their front pages were covered with the new German regulations for Guernsey. Later on, the papers started carrying only one small piece of soap a day, though I don't think many of the islanders took the trouble to learn it."

"I got a copy of the first day's papers, and started to read the regulations. There were a lot of them, but the principal ones were these:

"All weapons—guns, ammunition, even daggers and bayonets—had to be handed in at once to the Royal Hotel."

"IT WAS FORBIDDEN TO SING 'GOD SAVE THE KING'. THE PENALTY FOR DOING THAT WAS 15 YEARS' PENAL SERVITUDE."

"Nobody was to be outside his home at night between the hours

of 10 p.m. and 6 a.m. Later on, as the nights grew longer, those hours were extended.

All clocks had to be altered by an hour, to fit in with German time, by which everything on the island was run from then onwards.

"No fishermen were allowed to leave the port, but three weeks later that was altered, and they were allowed to go out to a limit of two miles from the shore."

"One or two fishermen broke that rule, and they got a shot across their bows as a warning, and then a launch went out to bring them back."

"Afterwards, their boats were hauled up on the beach for the duration of the war."

"What is more, if three or more fishermen went out in one boat, they had to take a German sentry with them, and he sat with a machine-gun across his knees."

"Other regulations published on that first day said that all motor transport was stopped, except for absolute necessities. The chief tradesmen, for instance, were allowed to use vans for deliveries. All petrol had to be handed to the Germans at once."

No Talking

In Groups  
"There was to be no talking in groups, and severe penalties would be imposed for that."

"NOBODY WAS ALLOWED TO BUY ANOTHER MAN A DRINK IN A PUB. EVERY MAN HAD TO PAY FOR HIS OWN. ALL SALE OF SPIRITS WAS BANNED, AND THE SPIRITS WERE TO BE HANDED OVER TO THE GERMANS."

"All larders had to be declared to the stores of sugar, tea, bacon and any tinned food. It had to be handed over to the Germans at the Channel Islands Hotel."

"Rationing, as under the British rule, was continued (it was soon made much more severe), and we were allowed only one small piece of soap a day."

"All business was to carry on as usual, and any shops that had shut were compelled to re-open."

"There were a lot more regulations, but those were the principal ones. I finished reading them, and then I thought I had better send my son Harold down to the Royal with our shot-gun."

Given Back  
His Sword

"He found two German sentries outside, with fixed bayonets. An officer and a room inside, with a pile of weapons of all kinds that the islanders had brought in."

"One man even brought an old sword, but he was told he could

keep that. Harold threw our gun on the pile, and went out quickly."

"It happened to have quite a bit of food stored away in my house, and I decided to risk not handing it over. I was lucky, and they did not search the house, as they did some others. And the food was very useful later on."

"I went down to work a bit early that afternoon, for I did not know what would happen. I was stopped at the entrance to White Rock and told I must go to the Channel Islands Hotel for a pass."

"And that was the first time I saw the German Kommandant who had been put in charge of the island."

"I was shown into his office, and there behind the desk sat a short thick-set German officer with dark hair and very lively piercing eyes. I should say he was about 42 years old. He wore a uniform something between brown and khaki in colour and a peaked cap with white braid and the eagle's wings on it. He also wore the Iron Cross."

Kommandant Was Polite

"His name was Dr. Lanz, and I must say that, all the time I was on the island, he behaved like a gentleman."

"After a time, indeed, the Guernsey people's fear was that he might be replaced by some other German Kommandant. He had an assistant at first, a Dr. Muns, who also behaved well, and he was then transferred to France."

"We got quite used, in time, to seeing the Kommandant driving about the island."

"He was always driven by a local policeman in the police car, which had a swastika flag put on its bonnet, but wherever the Kommandant went he was accompanied by a German soldier as bodyguard, with two revolvers strapped to his belt."

"When I first met him, on that Monday afternoon, he was perfectly polite to me. He spoke excellent English. He asked me what my job was, and took down particulars of me. Then I was handed a pass, in German, that would let me on to White Rock."

Food Taken From Island

"The German sentry passed me through with it at once that evening. Not that I had anything to do, for the harbour was still empty, and no ships came."

"None came, indeed, until the following week, when the first German boats started to arrive from France."

"There was one, the Holland, which was still plying regularly back and forwards when I left, bringing troops and ammunition from France, and taking back all the things the islanders were forced to surrender—the food stocks, the spirits, and so on. Even cases of tomatoes."

"But I don't think," added Fred Hockey with a grin, "that the Germans got a very high opinion of Guernsey tomatoes. Both these boys of mine, George and Harold, were working in the glasshouses. And they can tell you that, when the Germans came in and ordered too many boxes to be prepared by a certain time, they didn't always get quite the best quality tomatoes there are!"

"And the packing," said George dreamily, "was not always first-class market standard. You'd be surprised at the number of boxes I saw with the juice streaming out of the bottom, even before they left the glasshouse."

THURSDAY: "THEY THREATEN ME WITH REVOLVERS."



# GERMAN PRESS SILENT

## Roosevelt Speech Unpalatable

LONDON, Dec. 30 (Reuter).—While the United States and Britain welcome President Roosevelt's great speech, the Axis Powers did not find it quite so palatable. Germany itself is carefully avoiding all discussion on the speech or any mention of it to the German people. The junior partners of the Axis are a little less reserved. Signor Gayda (Mussolini's pet mouth-piece) threatening the United States while Japanese circles intimate that they regard his statement of policy as being one of continued American help to Free China.

A Columbia broadcasting corporation summed up early American press reactions as being that America is now facing the battle of defence. Senate circles were reported to have given the speech considerable praise.

### South America

In Buenos Aires and Mexico City the speech was welcomed as a plain statement that America stands by democracy. Reference to the fulfilment of appeasement is noted with special satisfaction. In Germany, President Roosevelt's speech is hidden from the people and there is no official reaction. A Wilhelmstrasse spokesman said that he could make no statement. The Berlin correspondent of the Swiss paper "Basler Nachrichten" says that the German press for the time being has called off the campaign warning President Roosevelt to intensify American aid to Britain. There is an ominous quiet in the political atmosphere of Berlin, he reports.

Italian political circles assume indifference and say they find nothing to worry about in the call for increased help for Britain. Nevertheless, Signor Gayda warns President Roosevelt that Axis tolerance is limited. Writing in the "Giornale d'Italia," Signor Gayda calls the speech a statement of undeclared war. The Axis Powers, he says, will not strike back at the United States unless the latter interfere with the counter-blockade or orders to Britain, German and Italian ships tied up to American ports.

The Tokyo reaction is reported to be that the speech is regarded as a commitment of further American aid to China.

### Congress Comments

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"—WASHINGTON, Dec. 30 (UP).—The following are the Congressional comments on President Roosevelt's speech.

Senator Arthur Vandenberg, Republican, said, "The President made a powerful statement of position. I agree with his denunciation of appeasement in order to have peace. A demand for a statement of the war objectives of the belligerents would make it undeniably clear whether or not peace is possible. The question of judgment always remains regarding the extent to which we should use our defence facilities and build our own preparedness in both oceans."

Senator Alben Barkley, Democrat, said, "It was a magnificent address which certainly clarifies the objectives of the American people."

Senator Warren Austin, Republican, said, "It was just what this country needed."

### Greatest Speech

Senator William King, Democrat, said, "It was one of President Roosevelt's greatest speeches."

Mr. William A. White, Chairman of the Committee to Defend the Allies, said, "We do not need to fear that we shall send our boys to war if we keep our men at home on the assembly belt. This war will be won for world democracy if we give the President our support and trust to him to keep America at peace. His statement was calm and magnificent."

## K.C.C. Teams For Saturday

Kowloon Cricket Club teams for Saturday—the Juniors in a league match, and the seniors in a friendly—will be as follows:

2nd XI v. I.R.C.—A. Gray (captain), R. Baldwin, G. A. Goodwin, F. Goodwin, W. W. Parnell, C. Finch, E. Carter, L. H. Birch, W. L. Rapley, E. Curtis, H. Brokenshire, Umpire, H. Leigh, Scorer, J. W. Parnell.

At Kowloon, Recreation will meet the home senior team in a friendly game. Kowloon C.C. will play the home team, N. D. Lloyd, D. J. N. Anderson, R. E. Lee, D. Hunt, A. Zimmerman, F. R. Zimmerman, F. F. Parnell, F. J. Lay, M. A. Mackay, R. T. Broadbridge, Umpire, J. P. Robinson, Scorer, T. W. Carr.

### Left Wing Elements

M. Popoff also referred apparently

### Softball

## New Year's Day Fare At The Kowloon F.C.

NEW YEAR'S DAY will again see the Marauding Mohawks in action in an exhibition tilt against the combined U.S.S. Mindanao and Tulsa at the Kowloon Football Club at 2 p.m. Whole of the proceeds will go to the "S. C. M. Post" and "H.K. Telegraph" Bomber Fund.

It has been learned that the Mindanao aggregation have been practising diligently at Shaanzen and three of their number, "Ski" Powlawski, Muddy Ruel and Pudge Jumper Wilson, are already playing in the First Division. The former is with St. Joseph's and the latter two are members of Abe Lau's Chinese Baseballers.

Champions of the local baseball league this past summer, the Mindanao men can always be expected to give a good account of themselves in the American national pastime, but it is to be hoped that they can show the same calibre at baseball's kid sister. However, they will have the support of the stars from the Mighty T, and an interesting tussle is expected.

### Anything Can Happen

Charlie Waggoner, manager of the Hongkong Baseball Club's Mohawks, has intimated that he will start Doc (Bomaceter) Molten on that day. That's how much he thinks of the sailor squad! But Charlie mentioned that with a tongue in his cheek as he knows very well that anything can happen in a ball game—just once!

Nudging from the crowds that attend each game in which the Mohawks are slated to play, it would be advisable to come out to the park in good time for choice seats.

## INTER-COLLEGIATE BOWL GAMES SCHEDULED

WASHINGTON, Dec. 30 (UP).—The following is the schedule for Bowl football games:

Ros Bowl.—Nebraska v. Stanford.  
Sugar Bowl.—Boston College v. Tennessee.  
Cotton Bowl.—Fordham v. Texas A&M.  
Orange Bowl.—Georgetown v. Mississippi.  
State Sun Bowl.—Western Reserve v. Arizona.  
State Pol Bowl.—Fresno State v. Hawaii.  
Nebraska are favoured, particularly if it rains, as many of the Stanford players, including their full-back, Stan D. Lee, are suffering from injuries. A record attendance, drawing about 90,000 is expected.

As expected, Tennessee are 3-5 favourites against Fordham, though the closest competition is anticipated.

In the other Bowl games, the favourites are Georgetown, Western Reserve and Fresno State.

## R.A.F. DESERT ATTACK

CAIRO, Dec. 30 (Reuter).—The enemy's Western Desert landing grounds at Tlmiti, Derna and El Gazala were raided by the R.A.F. on Sunday.

Fires were started at Tlmiti and dispersed aircraft were attacked, according to an R.A.F. communiqué.

## Left And Right Apply Pressure

# Bulgaria Tries To Steer Middle Way

SOFIA, Dec. 30 (Reuter).—Bulgaria will not depart her avowed policy of strict neutrality, declared M. Popoff, the Foreign Minister, in the Bulgarian Parliament to-day.

M. Popoff emphasised that there are no current causes requiring a change in the neutrality policy which has been clearly enunciated.

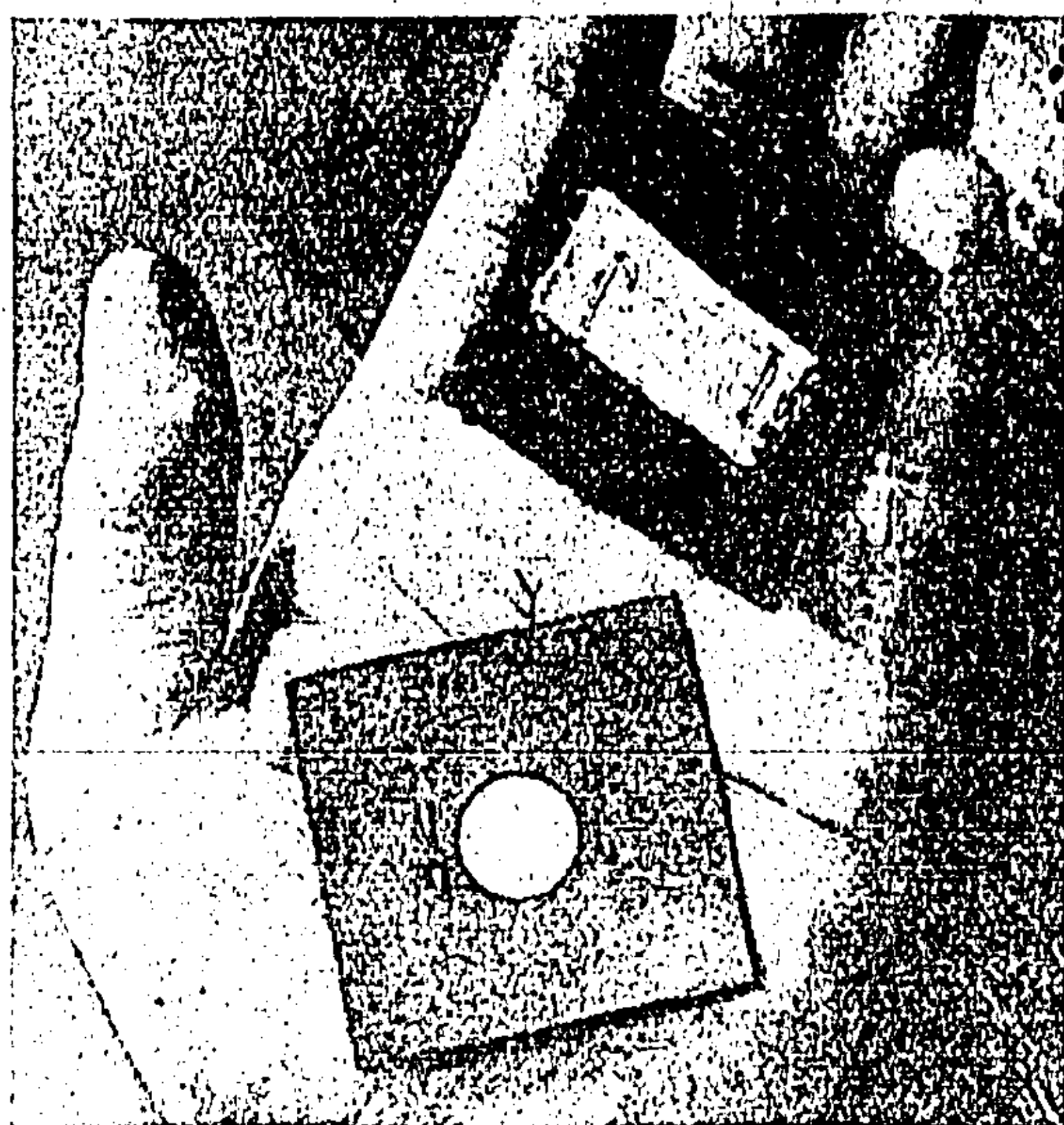
This statement was made during a debate on the budget in which an ex-Minister had stated that the Bulgarian people had the right to ask the Government to clarify the foreign policy because they would defend Bulgaria with money and property.

M. Popoff also referred apparently

to the propaganda of the Bulgarian Left Wing elements favouring closer collaboration with Russia. He said that the Bulgarian Government was resolutely determined not to listen to the Right or Left outside the National Assembly.

It is strongly rumoured in the Soviet Legation in Sofia that changes of personnel are imminent. Colonel Maslotti, the new Military Attache, arrived recently. In view of the recent increase of Communist propaganda in Bulgaria, such changes are believed to be important.

## 'THE NEW BRITISH WEAPON'



A PICTURE from Germany captioned "The New British Weapon"—the incendiary foil. This is a fire-raising "pill" packed with specially treated cotton-wool which burns under the influence of oxygen or the sun's rays. Fires started this way, the Germans add, "would be less easy to trace than those begun by ordinary incendiary bombs."

## DELAYED DECLARATIONS IN LOCAL CRICKET

(By "R. Abbit")

(Continued from Page 6.)

cannot get enough net practice. However, he goes in as a bat and field—with the possibility of being used to break a stand. I hope the authorities will consider this game for China New Year.

### Century For Owen-Hughes

But I seem to have diverged from the dullish Club Army draw. I saw Owen-Hughes and Knight settle comfortably down with much interest. (But I wish the caterer would get those nice little round pork pies which really taste like their names instead of that leaden oblong affair. Even the hard boiled egg thrown in does not console me.) I was unable to discover the name of left hand over the wicket bowler but I think it was Dixon. With a wicket to help him he might be quite dangerous, even though he got no wickets on the excellent pitch on Saturday. Trops looked pretty adequate too and bowled much better than when he turned out for the Civil Service. No one else did much. Knight played free cricket and when he was out at 91 he had scored 51 of them. Tide came next and helped Owen-Hughes to put on another 53 runs of which he scored 26 nicely.

### A Big Total

Mindful no doubt of the weakness of his own bowling, Owen-Hughes held out until 202 when he had made 103 not out. The declaration left the Army time for only three less overs. Unfortunately I forgot to get anyone to time the tea interval. Grose and Logan did not come off but T. A. Pearce (54) Webb (20) and Skips with (20) all got runs and the total at close of play was 158—extraordinary with 27. Taking all runs including extras the C.C. scored at 7.2 runs per over and the Army at 7 per over. Not such bad going. Only one maiden over was bowled.

### At The K.C.C.

I gather from onlookers that there was a painful difference from the before mentioned pace of scoring in the I.R.C. match with Kowloon on the latter's ground. The I.R.C. occupied the wickets during thirty four overs and scored at a rate of 4 per over. This was only due to A. H. Madar (66) and A. R. Minu (51). I gather that most of the batsmen played in a most restrained style and I can't help feeling all is not well with I.R.C. A. H. Madar and A. R. Minu have carried them for years and I don't see any new blood or new enterprise. When they declared at 139 for 7, K.C.C. had only time for 10 overs. However, they scored at a rate of just over eight runs per over and rattled up 154 for two wickets.

### Fine Hitting

I was very glad I arrived in time to see most of it. The ticket was taking spin but was easy. How Dugby Hunt (45) managed to off-drive Minu for 6 with a cross bat I can't imagine but he was all over him and seemed to hit across the break with impunity. Anderson (79) played very correct forcing cricket and both batsmen were cutting excellently. It all looked no easy too. F. J. Lay got a few at the end and I like his style. I hear he is unlikely to fall into this pit of swollen-headedness that some of our youngsters have found lately.

### Craigengower v. University

Playing at Happy Valley the University managed to get a good draw with the home side although their bowling was not very convincing and they missed Gegg very much. Craigengower ran up 174 for 4 declared with Hulse a much improved bat this year making 77 not out and A. D. Hanson 33 not out. However, like so many sides they held on for

more of their fair share of the time, having 30 overs against the Varsity's 24 only.

### Varsity Bat Well

The great improvement in the Varsity batting was maintained and they were never in difficulties as K. Y. Tam (37) and C. N. Matthews (62) gave them a splendid start and their captain Sam Gupta came along with a sound 20 not out so that they wound up with the sound score of 140 for 4 wickets declared.

### Juniors Lose

At Pokfulam the second eleven did not do so well as C. W. Lam had a field day and apart from knocking up 60 not out took 6 wickets for 23 runs. S. Leonard got 27 and Craigengower declared at 161 for 7 wickets. The University could only manage 107, Naranjan Singh being top scorer with 19—a score equalled by Mr Extras!

### High Scoring By Recreation Second

The batting of the Recreation second used to be their weak point but they have been much better this year and on Saturday they hit the Police bowling to the tune of 145 for 7 wickets declared. P.M.N. da Silva (52) and H.A. Barros (56) were the principal scorers. When their turn came to bat the Police collapsed and were all out for 60 of which the first two men Carey and Clarke got 16 and 10 respectively. They are an in and out side this year and very often cannot turn out their full side which is always worrying and tends to upset people and put them off their usual game.

### Smaller Games

I see that, owing to a plucky innings of 39 not out by Jernakoff, D.B.S. Staved off defeat by the Civil Service second who had made only 98 of which Barrow had 33 and Stone 32 runs. The latter took 7 for 49 and is a useful all-rounder. J. Macauley took 8 for twenty and seems to be bowling very well this year. The R.A.F. drew with the Pay Corps, Simson (69) for the former team and Bailey (46 not out) for the latter being the only batsmen to do anything. Hawkings for the R.A.F. took 6 for 14 in 7 overs. A good performance.

### Is Saul Among The Prophets?

I have frequently seen Frank Goodwin hit up twenty or thirty in a few minutes but I cannot recall his ever having exceeded the half century. (I may be wrong!) but playing for the Kowloon second he hit up 53 not out at a time when his side wanted runs badly. I.R.C. second had made 160 for 7, and Goodwin only got 3 for 40, which after his success against the Club first, rather surprised me. A.R. Sumud was top scorer with 56 not out, and including extras there were five other scores of double figures. Baxter (30) alone did much besides Goodwin, but they managed to stall off defeat.

## HONGKONG F.C. UNFORTUNATE

HONGKONG F.C. have been unfortunate enough not only to lose B. I. Blekford temporarily, as he is in hospital with injury to his thigh, but on January 6 E. L. Strang, another prominent Club footballer, will be proceeding on leave, and will be absent from the Colony for a period of four months—that is the remainder of the soccer season.

## T.U.C.'s Part In The War

### Close Collaboration

LONDON, Dec. 30 (Reuter).—The great part played in the battle for Britain by the Trades Union Congress is the subject of a review issued to-day in London.

This review shows how close and satisfactory is the collaboration between the Government and the T.U.C., which represents over 5,000,000 organised workers. Goodwill on both sides and a united determination to defeat the Nazi menace and to preserve democracy quickly swept away the initial difficulties. The whole machinery is now working smoothly.

### Raid Relief

The T.U.C. is playing an increasingly important part in other spheres as well. For instance, more canteens, provided by the Unions for air raid relief work have been inspected by the King at Buckingham Palace, while similar canteens have done magnificent work in Coventry, Bristol and Birmingham.

Nearly £1,000,000 has been lent to the Government free of interest and individual contributions in the T.U.C.'s Red Cross Penny-a-Week Scheme have already brought in thousands of pounds.

## Chinese Press Heartened

### Roosevelt's Encouragement

President Roosevelt's "freedom" talk in which he bitterly denounced the Axis Powers and appealed to the American nation to convert itself into a "great arsenal of democracy" was interpreted by the "Ta Kung Pao" to-day as a clear indication of the trend of the United States foreign policy in 1941, which embraces further positive aid to Britain and China. The report in the "New York Herald-Tribune" regarding the sale of 400 American planes to China eloquently testifies to this, the paper asserted.

Of particular significance in the President's speech, the paper said, was the part declaring that the Tripartite Alliance between Germany, Italy and Japan is aimed at menacing the United States. This amounted to a virtual refutation of the recent utterances of Mr. Yosuke Matsuoka and Admiral K. Nomura, respectively Japanese Foreign Minister and Ambassador to the United States, branding them as mere lies.

It is Japan, and not Germany, who find the speech most painful to receive, because the latter does not hope for a rapprochement with the United States but the former does, as her Ambassador is on the verge of sailing for America to improve relations between the two countries. The "National Times" termed President Roosevelt's speech as representing the "true voice" of the entire American nation.

### Miniature Soccer

## Presentation Of Schools' League Trophies

The presentation of trophies in the Kowloon Inter-School Small Boys' Miniature Soccer League took place at the McPherson playground, Homuntin, yesterday, during the interval of an exhibition match between the Champions, the National English College, and a "Pick-up" team. The match ended in a goalless draw.

A large silver cup, to be retained by the team winning it three times, was presented to the League by Mr. D. P. Lai, O. B. E., M. P., and Mr. Lo Tung-fan, chairman of the Executive Committee of the Children's Playgrounds Association, and Mr. Lee Gwok-ying.

Before calling on Mrs. Lai to present the prizes, Mr. Lo stressed the object of sportsmanship in games. The boys were also told not to be disappointed if they had not won anything this year, but to try again next year. Mr. H. N. Tam, director of the Playground, also spoke.

The winners were the National English College, with eight wins out of nine matches, followed by Wah Yan College with seven wins, and Man Sang College and Ming San College with six wins each. Other competitors were the Tak Ming Middle School, Nam Mo Middle School, Mun Far Middle School, Kowloon English School, The Primary School of Canton University, and the Wah Nam Middle School.

### Fanling Golf

## New Year's Day Starting Times

OLD COURSE  
9.15 H. D. Midwell, A. T. Dow.  
9.30 L. F. Probst, A. H. McElride.  
9.45 W. J. Richards, H. P. Morris.  
9.55 G. T. Lowry, H. G. Sheldon.  
10.10 H. G. W. A. Verrill.  
10.25 J. W. & J. P. Thomson.  
10.40 P. Cox, A. Greaves.  
10.55 G. M. Park, A. Parnell.  
11.10 Col. Rose, F. A. Redmond.  
11.25 Lieut. Carter, Capt. Thuraby.  
11.40 Capt. Fowler, J. G. Jensen.  
12.00 R. L. S. Webb, W. Sharp.  
12.15 Mrs. Rowell, J. C. Brown.  
12.30 Mrs. A. & Mrs. Bremner.



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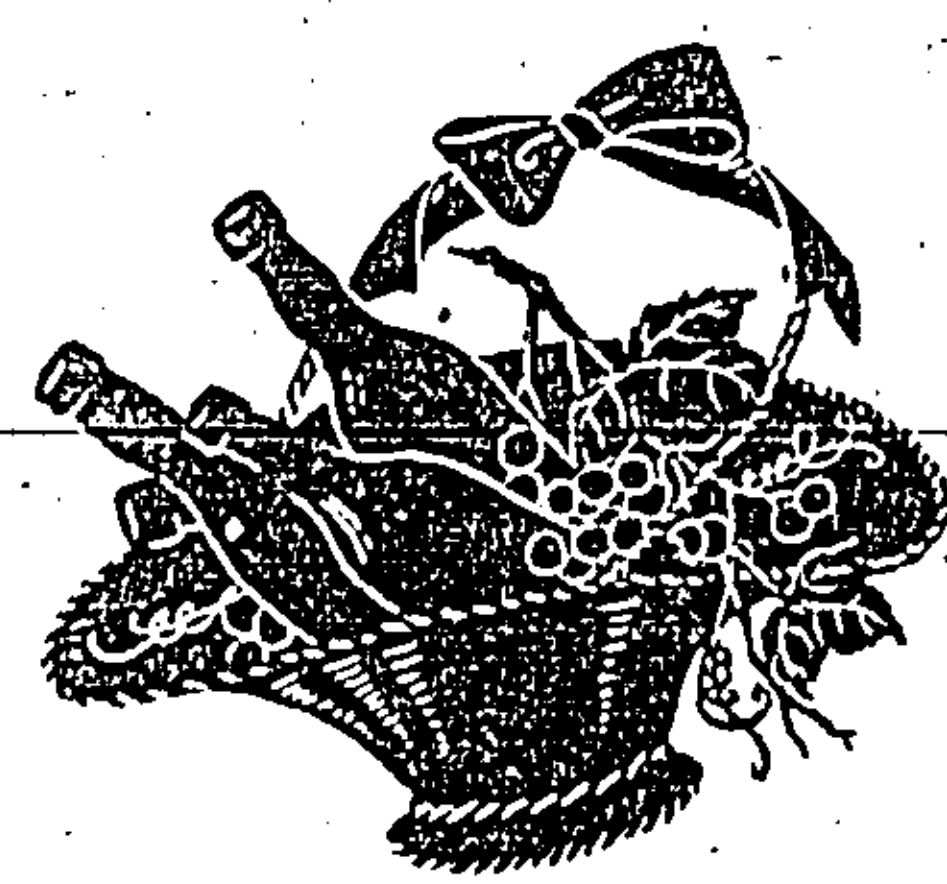
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## "R. Abbit's" Cricket Comments

# Delayed Declarations And Draws

## Poor Initiative Shown By Both Captains And Batsmen

This year if ever, I thought we should get a fairly large series of early declarations or at least displays of free hitting. There is nothing to prevent it. There is no League to worry captains. There is no bowling to worry batsmen. And yet Saturday after Saturday we get the same old delayed declarations owing to poky batting and the same old draws. The most glaring case was the match between the Recreio and the Civil Service. The former batted for 26.3 overs for 163 runs while the Civil Service had only 18.4! I asked Eddy Gosano at the end of his innings why on earth he had not declared twenty minutes earlier and he replied that his later batsmen had had no match batting practice. I suggested that in a cheerful friendly he might have reversed his order instead of letting his usual batsmen open every time. This did not seem to have occurred to him.

### C. S. C. C.—RECREIO FARCE

The match was of course turned into the usual farce where the C.S.C.C., batting second, had practically no chance of a win and could only lose through a collapse. In fact this latter they nearly did, as Attwell played all round one of Eddy Gosano's in his first over and was bowled; Perry was l.b.w. to Ozorio—it was very high but the ball may have been dropping; while Griffiths tried to drive Gosano and got his pads in front, beaten by the swing I fancy. After that I left the field partly in disgust and partly because I had to get on and see K.C.C. and the Indians. Unfortunately I missed some good cricket for, after Hollidge had failed, Baker came to the rescue and settled down to play free and excellent cricket. Richardson, who is in splendid form at present, went on to 55 not out while Baker got 48 playing some very good shots.

### Recreio's Batting

The earlier batsmen did well enough as J. M. Gosano (34), E. M. L. Soares (24), A. M. Prata (27) and E. L. Gosano (20) all made fair scores. I did not see the beginning of the innings but I fancy the C. S. bowlers fail in length. Perry and Baker are alright to begin with but afterwards do not seem to recover their length in second spells. For once Richardson was used in the right way. When Soares was hitting Richardson went on. Soares hit him for six and then was caught on the boundary. Dicky promptly went off! Whitely and Smith were poor though the latter caught an excellent catch off his own bowling somewhere about deep mid-on!

### Usual Club-Army Draw

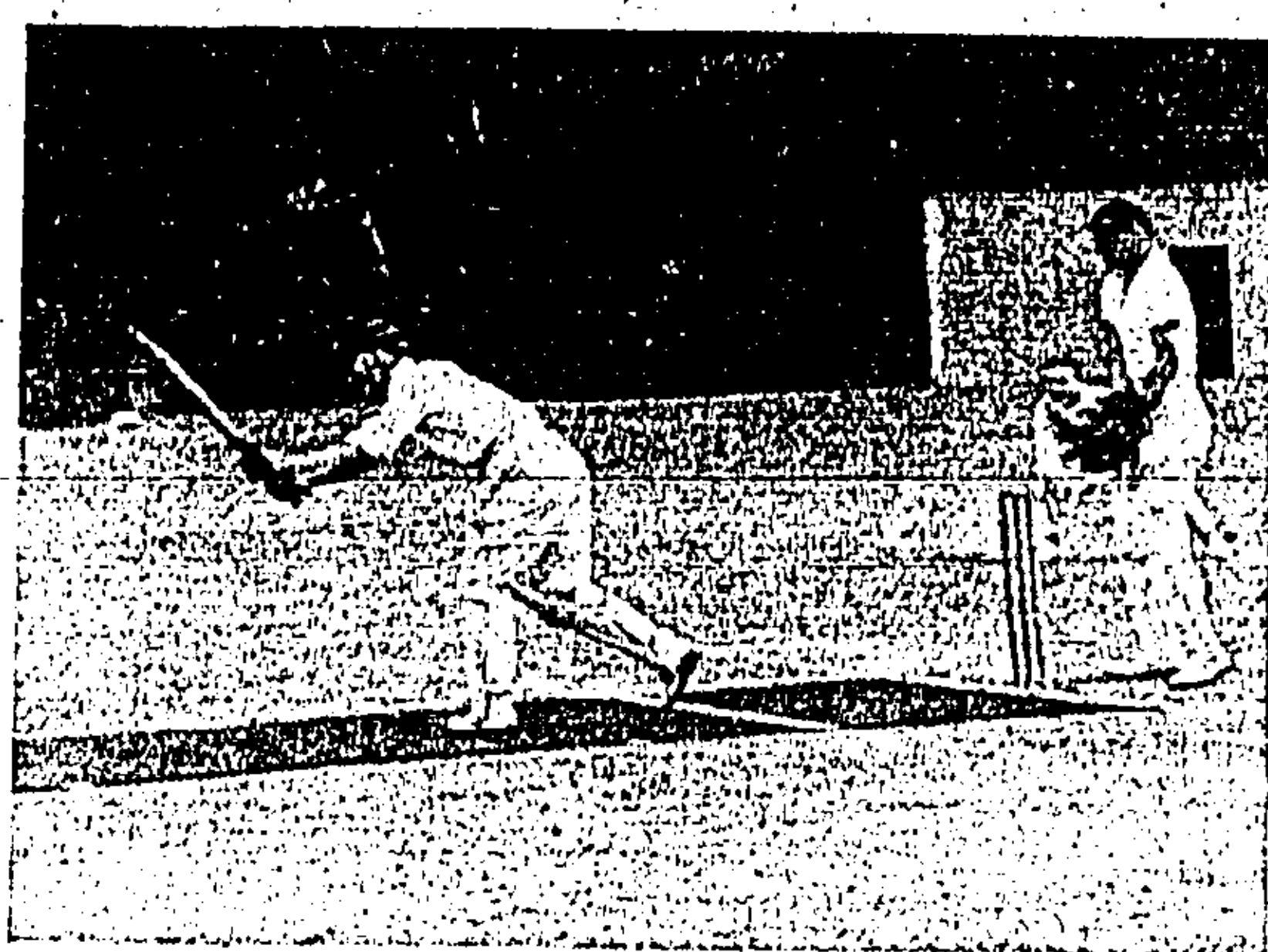
It has been unfortunate—though probably inevitable—that the two all day games and last Saturday's games have been or will be practically Club v. Army. Personally I should like to see the Club, when they can draw on their full membership—i.e. the Civil Servants—take on the K.C.C. in an all day, or better still a two day match. I have no hesitation in saying that at present the K.C.C. are the best side in the Colony excluding perhaps a full Club side which would bring in Civil Servants, and Major Grose and Alec Pearce from the Army. I think that the following side in a rough batting order would in a full two day game make a



14 Fergus (Royal Scots) bowling against the Volunteers in their cricket match at Sookunpoo on Sunday.—Ming Yuen.

splendid match with the K.C.C.: J. E. Richardson, T. G. C. Knight, T. A. Pearce, H. Owen-Hughes, Major Grose, L. T. Rids, A. E. Perry, D. McLellan, F. Baker, J. L. C. Pearce and A. J. Dewar. If Major Grose is averse from keeping wicket, then I would drop John Pearce for John Pearce. John Pearce is doing much better with the bat than Tim Fortescue this year but he seems to have lost his bowling. I suspect it is merely temporary because he

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N. A. E. Mackay (H.K. Volunteers) batting against the R. Scots at Sookunpoo last Sunday. He scored 49, contributing to the Volunteers' victory of 200 runs.—Ming Yuen.

## Japanese Swimmers In H.K.

### Holiday Golf Pools At Fanling

The Boge Par Pool held over the Old Course at Fanling during the Christmas Holidays attracted 42 entries and was won by Major W. G. Harvey (10), one up. The Medal Round over the Old Course was won by T. Low, 82 (12) 70. There were 30 entries.

The Boge Par Pool over the New Course attracted only 14 entries and was won by A. J. Dennis (10), one up. The sum of \$35 from entrance fees has been donated to the South China Morning Post Bazaar Fund.

### CAPTAIN'S CUP

The Captain's Cup will be held on January 4 and 5 over the Old and New Courses. Boge Par Pools will be held on January 11 and 12 over the New Course and on January 18 and 19 over the Old.

The first round of the Junior Championship will be held on January 10.

### Max Baer Heavyweight Contender

NEW YORK, Dec. 27 (UP).—The American Boxing magazine Ring's annual ratings place Max Baer, former world heavyweight champion, as number one contender for Joe Louis' crown in view of the fact that he has knocked out both "Two Ton" Tony Galento and Tom Comiskey.

The magazine predicts that Bill Conn, the current light-heavyweight champion, who is slated to meet Loui next June, will not last very long against Louis' terrific wallop.

Holders or chief contenders for the middleweight, bantamweight and flyweight titles are not listed, but the following represent the leading men in each division:

Heavyweight: Joe Louis; light heavyweight: Billy Conn; middleweight: Len Overlin; welterweight: Walter Zivie; lightweight: Lew Jenkins; featherweight: Harry Jaffar; bantamweight: Oliver; flyweight: Jackie Paterson (Scotland).

Celestino Garcia, former Filipino world middleweight champion, is rated eighth amongst the light-heavyweight contenders, while Kluskong Young is second in a group of bantamweight contenders.

### College Stars En Route To Manila Practice At European Y.M.C.A.

(By "Ripple")

JAPANESE SWIMMERS, en route to the Philippines to take part in the P.I. Inter-Collegiate and All-Philippine Champions, arrived in Hongkong yesterday and availing themselves of the offer of the European Y.M.C.A. turned out for a practice swim in that pool.

The party was comprised of five collegiate swimmers, and a coach. But among the five was Sigeo Arai who took third place in the 110 metres at the 1936 Olympiad at Berlin.

Others of the party were T. Hiraga, third ranking back-stroke swimmer; Tosio Honma, third ranking distance swimmer; Seltiro Oura, second ranking breast-stroke swimmer, and Taketyga Honda, a sprinter. Manager is Mr. Takahiro Saito, a member of the Executive Committee of the Amateur Swimming Federation of Japan.

In fresh water, unopposed and swimming for the first time in some weeks, the Japanese nevertheless provided remarkable exhibitions in the short time trials yesterday. These times, briefly, were:

S. Arai—100 yards (freestyle)—59.6 secs.  
T. Hiraga—110 yard (backstroke)—70.6 secs.  
T. Honma—440 yards (freestyle)—5 mins.  
S. Oura—220 yards (breast-stroke)—2 mins. 42.2 secs.  
T. Honda—110 yards (freestyle)—61.2 secs.

From Arai the small handful of spectators were given a fine demonstration of the use of the arms in sprinting. Particularly his leg beat, though strong, was not as powerful as I had expected from a swimmer capable of such speed over short distances. Rather from Honma, who swam the quarter-mile, was the power of the leg-beat demonstrated.

### Continuous Stroke

But all were possessed of glide—the hall-mark of good swimmers—particularly Arai. His powerful arm strokes appeared to continue right up to the moment of lifting his hands out of the water. His stroke was down, under the body at the hips, and then backwards and out. For style, however, Hiraga, the back-stroker, was the best to watch.

His cupped hands curved gracefully over his head before entering the water, but his powerful stroke had the effect of lifting his head and neck out of the bath.

Oura jumped off for his 220 yards breast-stroke, and completed three-quarters of the bath under water at terrific speed before breaking surface. He did not employ the butterfly stroke, but outstanding feature of his swim was his kick. He snapped his legs together with extraordinary power, and one could almost hear the water swirl under the surface.

### Turning Lessons

Last of the swimmers was Honda, who also swam 110 yards in a sprint. He gave lessons in turning. He favours touching with his left hand, and to accomplish this he institutes a short right arm break at the end of the bath when there is likelihood of his right arm reaching there first. In this quarter-stroke, as it were, he loses none of his speed but gains the required left-hand turn.

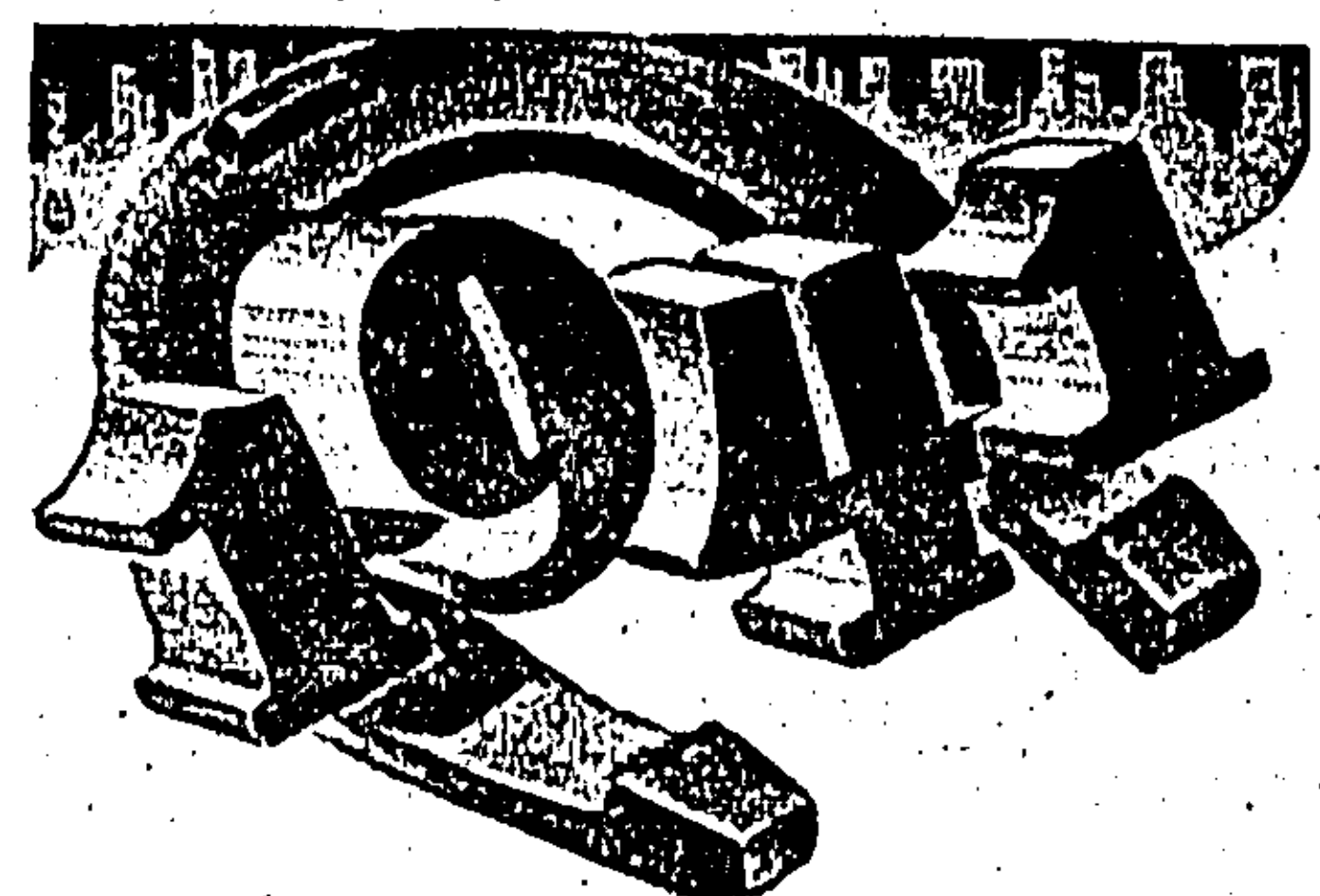
Arrangements are in hand for these swimmers to give an exhibition at the "Y" Pool on their return from the south.

### Bowls Match At Kowloon B.G.C.

The bowls match which has been arranged between the Sergeants' Mess of the Volunteers and the Kowloon Bowling Green Club will take place on Saturday, January 11 at 2.45 p.m. at Austin Road.

### Intra-Club Game

The members of the Kowloon Bowling Green Club will be holding an intra-club bowls match on their green at 2.30 p.m. to-morrow, January 1, when members representing Scotland will meet the rest.



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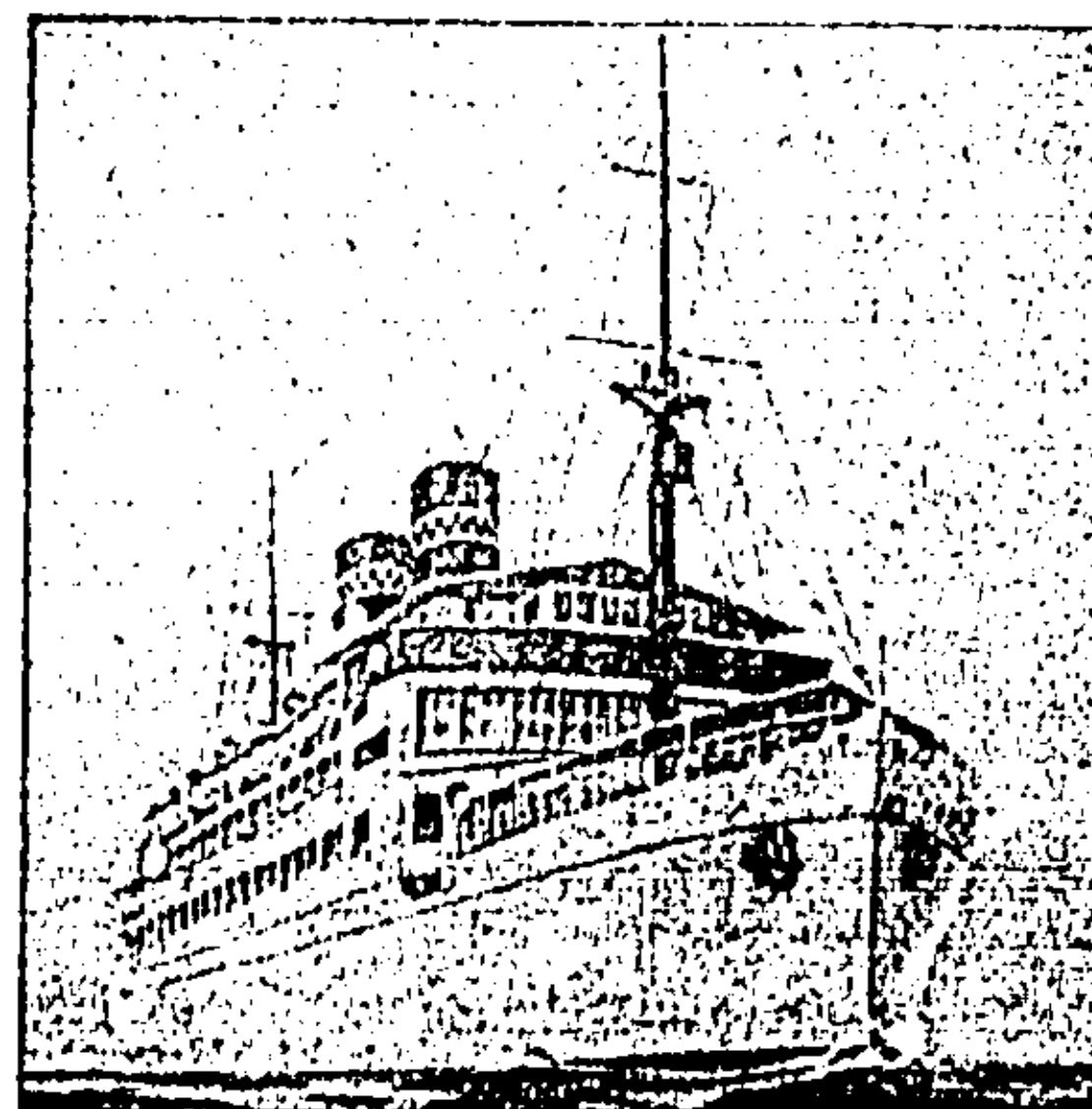
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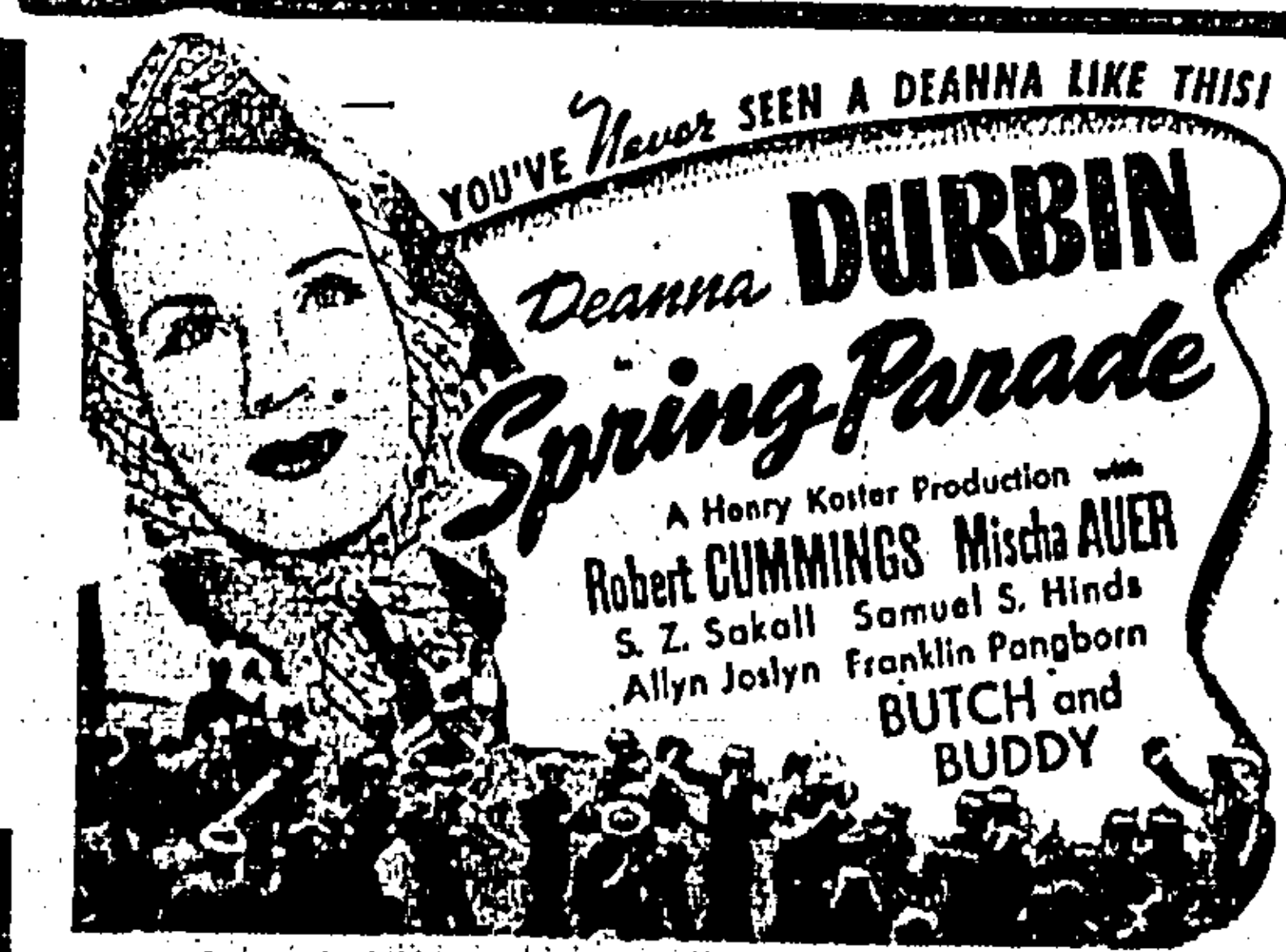


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# GERMAN THREATS OVER FILM

## Nazis Protest in Washington

THE first March of Time feature film, "The Ramparts We Watch," has brought strong protests, and threats from the German Embassy in Washington.

The protests were made by the Second Secretary of the Embassy, von Glennan, who objected to the use made of extracts from the German war film, "Baptism of Fire," which is the official German film of the invasion of Poland. Von Glennan was reported to be "really furious."

"Baptism of Fire" was shown at an official reception for the Norwegian Government just before the invasion of that country, and it has also been shown to invited audiences of officials and members of the Governments of Spain, Rumania and other countries which Germany wished to impress with the futility of opposing her mechanised legions.

Von Glennan demanded that the German extracts in "The Ramparts We Watch" be taken out, and threatened immediate reprisals against any March of Time employees in Germany or occupied territories and also legal proceedings in the United States.

Threats Defied  
The editors of the March of Time refused this censorship and stated that they would release the film as they saw fit. There are no March of Time employees in Germany or the occupied countries at the moment.

The producer, Mr. Louis de Rochemont, notified the German Embassy that he would welcome a showdown on Germany's indirect censorship of American films, which had been increasing for the past two years.

Germany had tried to dictate what should or should not be shown in certain pictures, he said, and had refused to allow any German scene to be shown with anything related to England.

The German Propaganda Ministry had been perfectly willing to release extracts from "Baptism of Fire" until it discovered the adverse effect which they were having on American public opinion.

## King & Queen As Riveters

The King and Queen who visited a famous shipyard in the North-West of England drove rivets into the first keel plates of a warship to be built there. First the King and then the Queen used the hydraulic rivet press.

They spent two hours in a tour of the yard often with an escort of cheering workers. They first saw men and boys furnishing steel plates and bending ships frames.

Afterwards they walked on the slipways, where they saw two of the latest warships which are nearly ready to go out on duty. They went aboard, inspected the gun turrets, A.A. and submarine defences, and talked to the men who were putting the finishing touches to the ships.

The royal tour began at a station where the King and Queen arrived after spending the night in the Royal train. It had been drawn up at a disused siding in a remote spot in Lancashire, and, although bombs fell within a few miles, there was no actual raid warning, and the King and Queen spent an undisturbed night.

## More Merchant Ships Sail Mediterranean

Britain's control of the Mediterranean and Red Seas is encouraging an increasing number of shipping companies to resume schedules between Alexandria and Mediterranean ports.

Eighteen merchant ships loaded with potatoes, fruits, oil and wines arrived in England Alexandria from Cyprus.

In addition, two ships loaded with coal arrived from England. Egyptian maritime authorities are studying requests from a large number of shipping concerns to resume operations halted by Italy's entry into the war. The companies are now convinced that, owing to the British Navy, traffic is now fairly safe.

## BRITAIN'S NEW M.T.B.'s

Great Britain now possesses the fastest small warships in the world. They are the latest of the Navy's motor-torpedo boats. Details of their speed and armament are secret, of course, but they are easily the fastest armed ships on water, their offensive power is as great as that of many bigger vessels, and their small size makes them a target almost impossible to hit.

M.T.B. service is one of the most popular branches of the Navy, to judge from the waiting-list of officers and ratings who want to join it (writes a Press Association special correspondent).

These M.T.B.s offer nothing in comfort, but a great deal of adventure, excitement, and danger. Shooting over and through waves at something like 50 miles an hour, with spray like a whip flicked across my face, I began to appreciate how much courage is required. Inside the tiny hull engines producing thousands of horse-power thundered like half a dozen express trains.

The function of these vessels in the war at sea is similar to that of fighter aeroplanes in the air. They are in effect "sea Spitfires". Noise, wetness, and terrific speed were my chief sensations on this trip. For such a strenuous existence men have to be young and unusually fit. Thirty is the average age-limit for an officer, 35 for a rating. They are nearly all volunteers.

## Chemist Fined £1,000

Hyman Liss, 32, wholesale chemist, of Connaught Gardens, Muswell Hill, N., was at Bow Street Police Court recently fined £1,000 and ordered to pay 50 guineas costs by Mr Fry for failing to offer 800 sovereigns for sale to the Treasury. He pleaded "Guilty."

Mr F. D. Barry, for the Director of Public Prosecutions, said it was suggested that there had been a deliberate attempt to evade the regulations. Liss was in partnership with two brothers. On July 24 the Bank of England wrote that there was reason to believe that he had not complied with the regulations and asking for particulars of foreign currency, securities, and gold in his possession or under his control.

He replied that he had none. The Bank got to know that he had 800 sovereigns, and again wrote to him. He then admitted that he had bought the sovereigns at 35s. 7d. in August, 1939.

He offered them to the Treasury at the price he paid, but they gave him the market value, about £1,600. He thus made a profit of £140.

## 'Exuberance Of Verbosity'

In the Legislative Council of Perth (W.A.) Mr C. Baxter recently took the Minister of Justice (Mr Nulsen) to task for having applied the term "gerontocracy" to members of the Legislative Council.

"Gerontocracy" means government by old men. Mr Baxter said he would not use words not in general use, but he would characterise Mr Nulsen as a cloud-pated dolt for his slighting reference to a body of men doing excellent work.



DRAFT No. 1.—Blindfolded Secretary of War Henry L. Stimson holds first draft capsule drawn from fish bowl, in War Department Auditorium, Washington. It was No. 158. He is about to hand capsule to President Roosevelt, left.

## £12,000 Claim Against Bookmaker Dismissed

The Court of Appeal, London, recently dismissed without costs the appeal by Mr Bernard William Mason, a city company director, of Berkeley Street, against a decision of Mr Justice Stabile, dismissing his claim for the return of £12,000 from Mr Harry Parker, Ltd, Turf Accountants, and Mr Abraham Stein, otherwise known as Harry Parker, in connection with a £8000 each-way bet.

Mr Mason's case at the trial was that he was wrongfully induced to place the bet on his horse, Another Greek, which lost a race at Nottingham, by Mr Parker's representation that he could spread the bet in small amounts with a number of agents, so that the starting price would not be brought down. He maintained that Mr Parker had failed to do this. Mr Parker denied the allegations.

Lord Justice MacKinnon, giving judgment, said he doubted whether Mr Justice Stabile was justified in finding that there was an express bargain between "this precious pair" that Parker should "square" the other jockeys in the race at Nottingham. The bargain was tainted with illegality, which was sufficient to make the transaction itself illegal, so that neither party could claim under it. His Lordship said he regretted that it was not possible for the Court to make Parker pay the £11,975 that was claimed to be a deserving charity.

### No Squeamishness

Lord Justice Luxmoore, in his judgment, said that Mason had been referred to in the case as a "sportsman," and reference was made to his interest in the "sport" of horse-racing. There was no intimation of evidence to warrant the use of these phrases. Mason's object in buying and racing horses was to make money, and he was not hampered by any squeamishness as to the means to be employed to attain this end.

His Lordship said he did not think that Mr Justice Stabile was justified in holding that it was part of the arrangement suggested by Parker and accepted by Mason that Parker should bribe jockeys in the race in which Another Greek was engaged. But the fact that Mason was willing to deal with Parker, after the conversation in which Parker said he could "square" jockeys, could leave little doubt in the mind of a normal person that Mason would have made no objection to such a suggestion.

He was satisfied that the arrangement to place bets with street bookmakers and to stage a fictitious bet was a criminal conspiracy in precisely the same way as a conspiracy to "rig" Stock Exchange prices had been held to be.

## Saw Every Derby For 60 Years

Mr Arthur F. B. Portman, 79, well known sporting journalist "Audax," was killed in a London air raid. Mr Portman was editor and senior director of the "Horse and Hound" newspaper, for which he had written articles for 60 years. He had seen every Derby for more than 60 years.

## ITALIAN'S GIFT TO RED CROSS

The gratitude of aliens of certain categories who have been released from internment camps in Britain has found expression in various gestures of appreciation. Of these, few were more spontaneous than the gift of an Italian business man in Edinburgh to the Red Cross.

On leaving the Isle of Man, where he was interned, he wrote a cheque for the Red Cross. As a result, the Fund will benefit to the extent of £20 15s.

For many years this man has lived in Edinburgh with his wife and family. Some of his children were born in the country, and he enjoyed the friendship and respect of many people outside the Italian community. When Italy entered the war, however, he was interned, following the procedure adopted with classified enemy aliens.

He had always admired British law and order, and when he was released from the internment camp he was inspired to make the gift to the Red Cross as a mark of his appreciation of his treatment there.

## Nazis Want More Quislings

Reports from Oslo state that discussions on the recomposition of the new Nazi-sponsored Norwegian Government continue. The Reichs-Commissar, Terhove, has gone to Berlin to submit a list of proposed Ministers for Hitler's approval.

The Germans demand the inclusion of a minimum of three National Assembly-Quisling party members. Only one Nationalist, Dr. Gudbrand Lundre, to be Minister of the Interior, is at present listed and the Germans say that a further two must be added to the exclusion of other candidates.

Fearing possible disturbances it is reported, they have waived a demand for the appointment of Quisling.

### German Control

Germany has undertaken full responsibility for Norway's defence and the maintenance of order. Foreign policy and foreign trade will be dictated from Berlin.

While the Nygaardsvold Government has been officially deposed by Oslo King Haakon's position has been left in abeyance until the Storting meets, which will not be before the restoration of peace.

## Keeping Troop Entertained

Regimental bands are to be made full use of during the winter season, and there will be other special efforts to entertain the troops.

Announcing this when opening an Information Bureau for H.M. Forces in Trafalgar-square, Mr Eden, Secretary for War, said that welfare work in the Services was necessary to fight boredom, to keep up fighting efficiency, and to develop the offensive spirit.

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## Naval Base In Philippines

Manila, Dec. 28.  
With the United States sending additional warships here as part of the general plans for strengthening the United States Pacific defences, the newspaper Tribune to-day reported that Naval authorities are planning to create a new naval base at Los Banos on Laguna Lake, 40 miles south of Manila. At present a powerful radio station is located at Los Banos.—Domei.

(It is learned from one acquainted with the area that the lake to which "Domei" refers is so shallow that only motor boats can navigate in it.)

## American Planes For China

Washington, Dec. 30.  
Announcing the sale of 400 American planes to China, the New York Herald-Tribune quotes authoritative sources, including Rear Admiral Tower, as saying that China's needs must not be neglected and that 400 is the minimum number of aircraft needed.

Chinese representatives are at present in Washington stressing the Chinese need of modern war planes because of Japan's introduction of new type Messerschmitt pursuits. The Flying Fortresses will enable China to take the war to Japan in night raids.—United Press.

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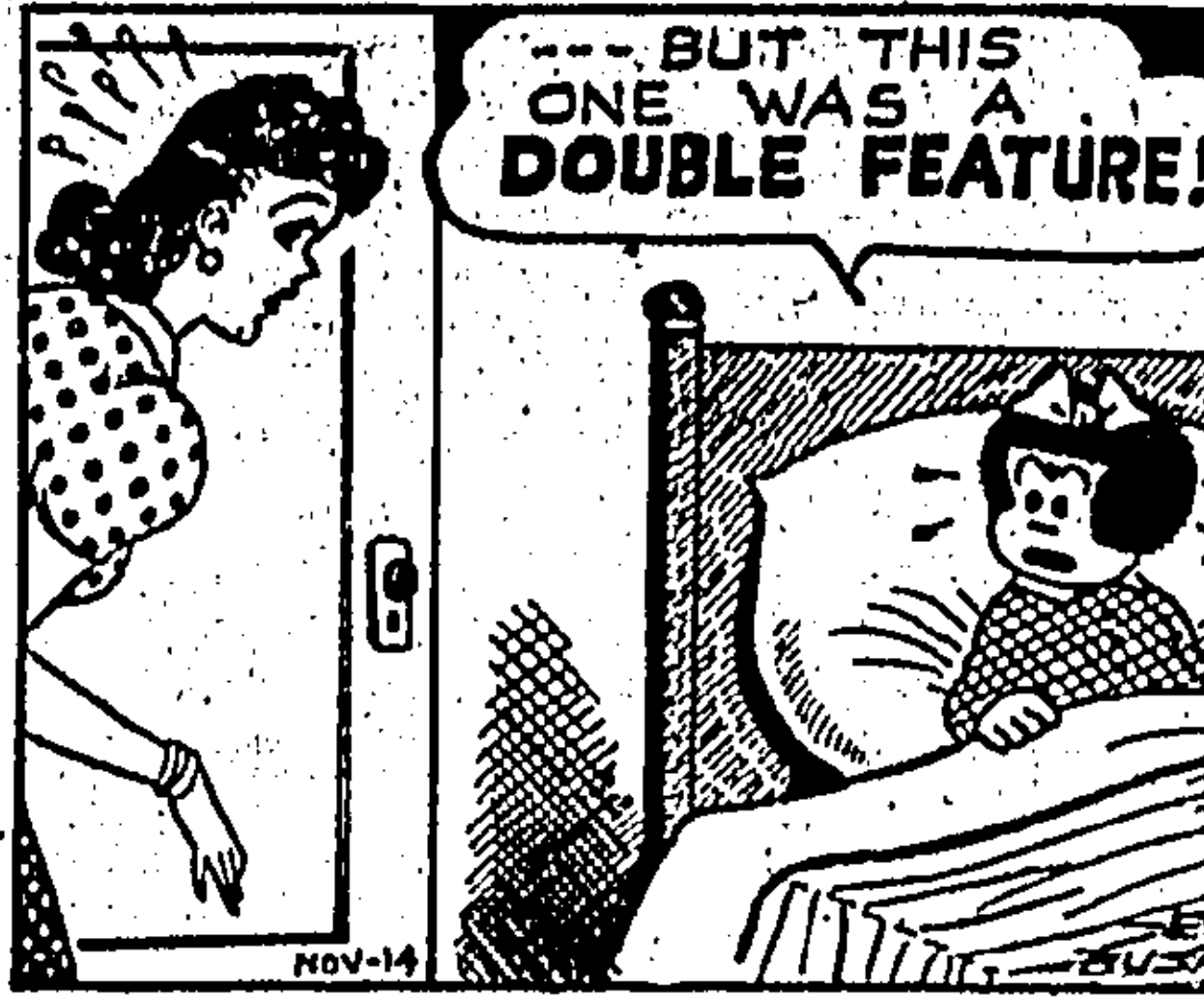
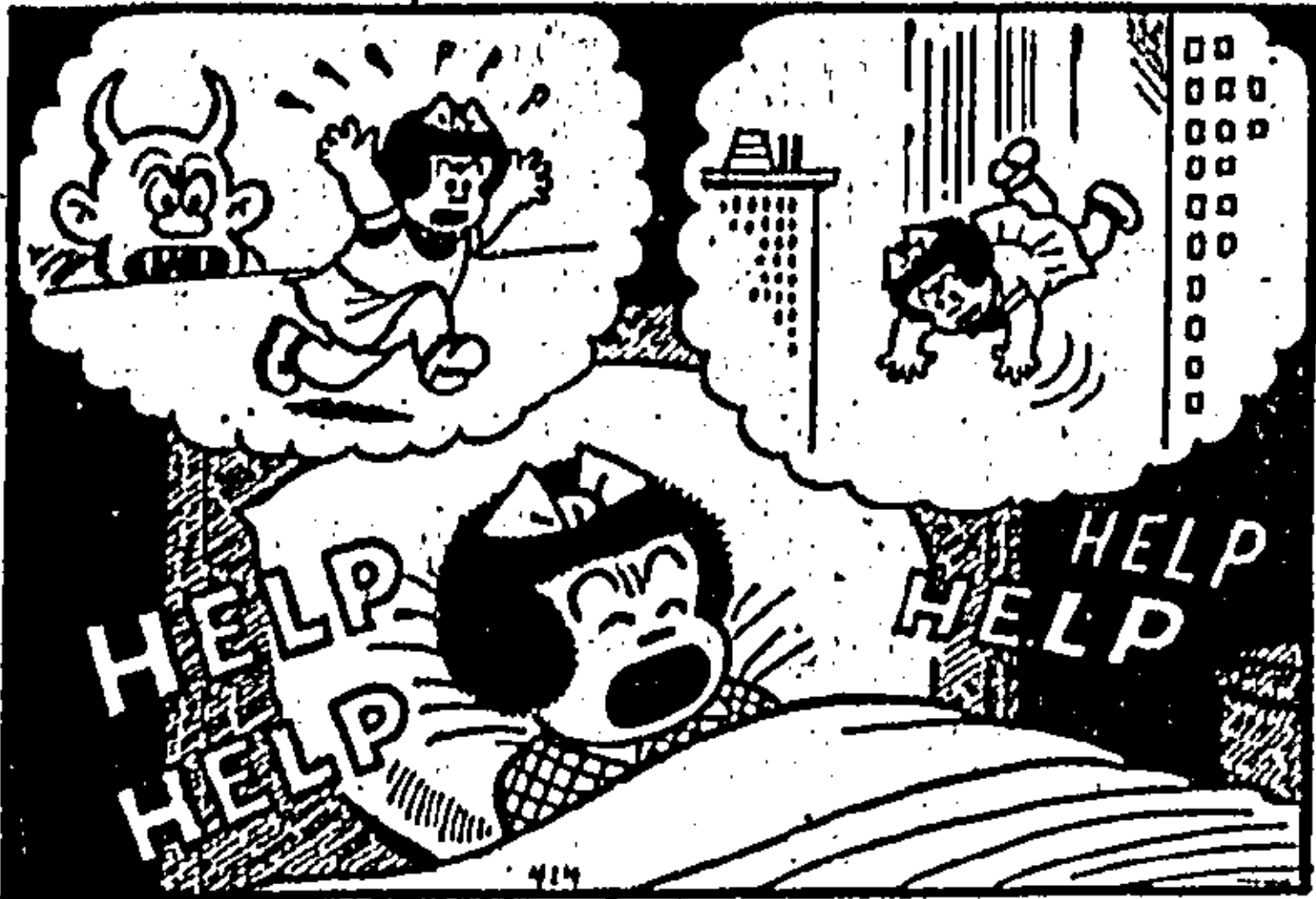
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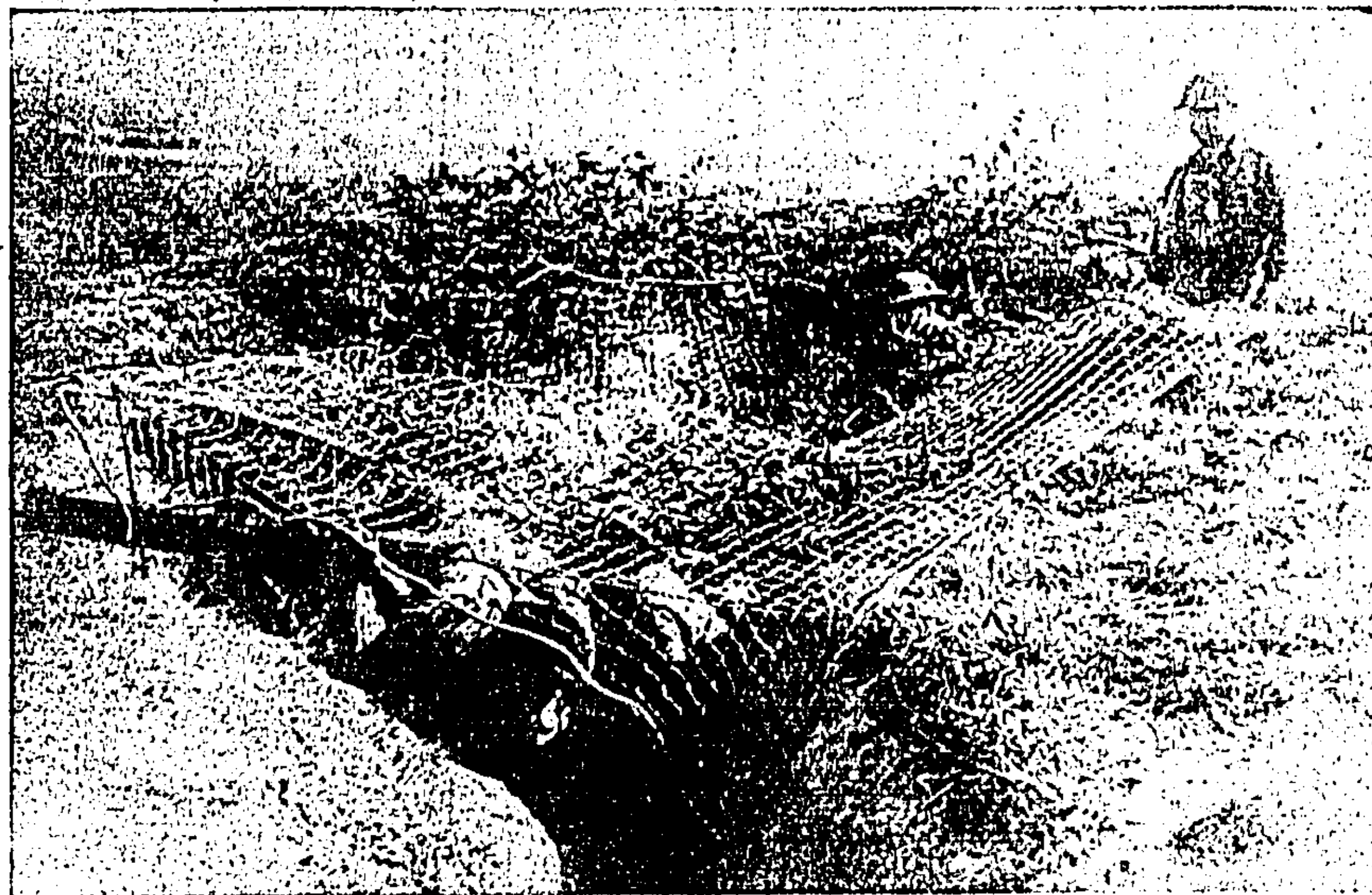
- Artificial water-course (English)
- Talk foolishly
- Point of location
- English word
- Grass over
- Tunnel
- Artificial language
- Legs
- The Emerald Isle
- Accompanying passages
- Went away from
- Indo-European
- Organ of hearing
- Curious story
- Anti-capitalistic policy of early Soviet Russia
- At no time
- Full
- Title of political address
- Pad
- Costume
- Chips
- Japanese coin
- Black cards
- Unworn metal
- Great colorful
- Small plant
- Creative work
- Stalls
- Chewing substance
- Clavory
- One who marches
- Moving
- Purveyor
- Appalling aroma
- Clung for

**ANSWER TO PREVIOUS PUZZLE**

**DOWN**

- Not connected with church
- Combining form within
- In a short time
- Leaving will
- College president (Latin)
- Long hanging noise (Latin)
- Amount (abbr.)
- Bound
- Weird
- German
- Concentrated sound
- Death notice
- Decades
- Build
- Large vehicle
- Homesteaders
- Thou shalt
- Attain
- Following
- Atire
- Decorative vessels
- Plains
- Occupies at price
- Corred fabric
- Man's name
- Word in nobles
- Honeyed
- Temporary residence
- Diase in plant growth
- Small drums
- Forward median
- Thin soup
- South American country
- Notice (French)
- Network of nerves
- Hideous enterprise (Scottish)
- Lois image
- Combining form: thread
- Increased
- Word in nobles
- German names

## INSIGHT INTO LOCAL DEFENCE TRAINING



**VOLUNTEERS IN TRAINING**—Valuable experience in modern warfare conditions was gained by Hongkong's Volunteers during their recent camps. The picture above shows men preparing to camouflage a trench. Leaves and shrubbery would be placed on top of the net. (Photo: Ming Yuen).

## FORD FAMILY RANKED WEALTHIEST IN AMERICA

The Securities and Exchange Commission's recent study of the United States' 200 largest non-financial corporations cites the Ford Motor Company as the "best example" of control by one family.

The report, prepared for the Monopoly Committee, shows that three members of the family—Henry Ford, his son, Edsel, and Edsel's wife, Mrs. Clara J. Ford—own all of the stock, and in so doing rank as the wealthiest family owners of corporation stock in America.

The Ford company stock had a book value of \$624,975,000 on December 31, 1937. It comprises two issues of common stock, in both of which Henry Ford owns a majority. Edsel is the next largest owner. The family owns a very small part through the Ford Foundation.

The du Pont family, with \$573,000,000 holdings mainly in the E. I. du Pont de Nemours Company and the United States Rubber Company, ranked as the second wealthiest stockholders among the corporations studied.

**Rockefellers and Mellons**  
Other large family holdings, with the total value of issues covered by the survey and the corporations in which they have their main interest, follow:

The Rockefeller family, \$306,583,000, Standard Oil Company (New Jersey), (Indiana), and of California, and Socony Vacuum Oil Company, Inc.; Mellon family \$300,000,000, Gulf Oil Corporation, Aluminum Company of America, and Koppers United Company; McCormick family, \$111,102,000, International Harvester Company; Harford family, \$105,702,000, Great Atlantic & Pacific Tea Company of America; Harkness family, \$104,001,000, Standard Oil Company (New Jersey), (Indiana), and of California, and Socony Vacuum Oil Company, Inc.; Duke family, \$89,655,000, Duke Power Company, Aluminum Company of America, Liggett & Myers Tobacco; Pew family, \$75,020,000, Sun Oil Company; Pittman family, \$65,570,000, Pittsburgh Plate Glass Company; Clark family \$57,215,000, Singer Manufacturing Company; Reynolds family, \$54,768,000, R. J. Reynolds Tobacco Company; Kress family, \$50,044,000, S. H. Kress & Company.

**Hearst's Control**  
The SEC noted that it was not possible to determine the market value of the Ford stock since it is not traded in, but added that the market value was more likely to be less than to be higher than the book value. The report noted that in most of the cases the market value was given as of December 31, 1937.

As an example of what it termed "complete control not merely by one family but by one individual," the SEC noted that Hearst Consolidated Publications, Inc., was owned by William Randolph Hearst through his ownership of Hearst Corporation and American Newspapers, Inc.

Out of the 200 corporations studied, only about 60 were found to be without "a visible centre of ownership control." Lack of a definite centre of control was rare among utilities companies, the study said, with only four of 45 corporations listed in that category.

**SMUGGLER HAD \$30,000 ROUND HIS NECK**  
Although diamonds are a prohibited export in the Union, the South African diamond industry is booming.

There are ways of dodging legislation. It is possible to go to America on business with a few diamonds in one's pocket, and these find a ready sale across the Atlantic.

One man who left the Union recently was said to have had diamonds worth tens of thousands of pounds on him. He paid as much as \$3,000 for one stone, says the Associated Press. A necklace provides a convenient means of eluding the Customs. A recent instance was that of a passenger, a man, who left the country with a \$30,000 diamond on a chain round his neck.

New diamond-cutting shops have sprung up in Johannesburg, despite the fact that there were already dozens of old-established businesses, and old diamond diggers are getting a new lease of life.

## "PRESENT" OF BUTTER FROM DUBLIN

The Marchioness of Sligo, of Upper Belgrave Street, S.W., pleaded "Guilty" before Mr. Ronald Powell at the Westminster Police Court recently to a summons for obtaining 1lb. of butter for household consumption in contravention of the Rationing Order.

Mr. Vernon Gattie, prosecuting, said the matter came to notice through the interception of a letter written by the defendant to a friend in Dublin. This ran: "I do so appreciate your present. If you will be able to send another present please address . . . I enclose £1. Please keep an account against me." That letter was sent to the Ministry of Food, and Lady Sligo was seen by an Inspector. She made an extremely frank statement and said she did not know she had done anything illegal in obtaining butter in that way.

Mr. Melford Stevenson, defending, said Lady Sligo wished him to express her unqualified regret. Her statement to the Inspector was made with the most ruthless frankness and she did not conceal anything. The Magistrate—I can hardly accept the suggestion that this was a present. There will be a fine of 40s., with £3 3s costs.

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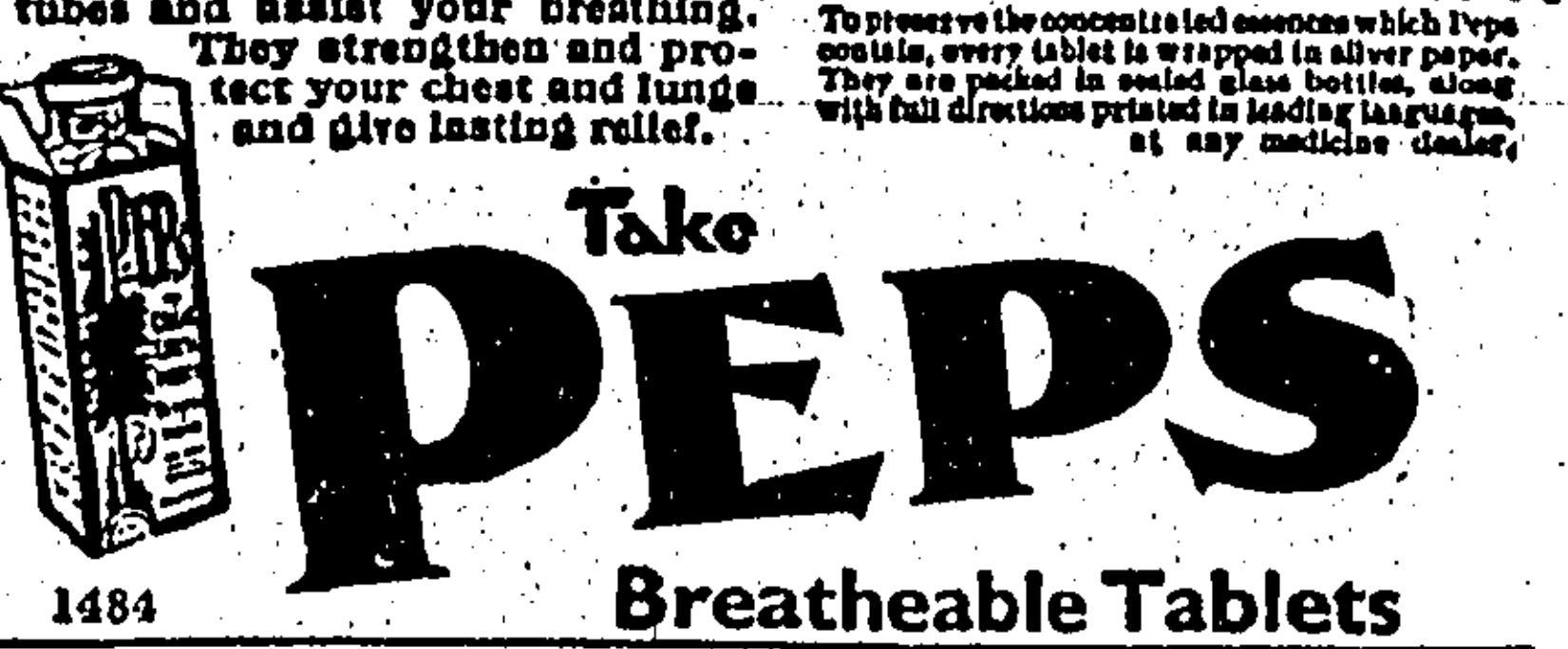
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**AIR RAID** — The R.A.F. is striking hard at German industries and here a bombing flight begins. First, left, a line of 250-pound bombs is hauled to the bomber. Then the "eggs" are stowed in plane's belly, below. Fully loaded, above, a bomber soars off in search of Nazi target.

## Conference of Labour Women

# Must Plan Now For New Better World

Women want a better world to emerge from the wreckage of war. This was the keynote of the presidential address which Miss Grace Colman gave at the opening session of the National Conference of Labour Women at Southport.

There were 300 delegates, representing Labour women's organisations in all parts of the kingdom.

"Some people think," said Miss Colman, "that our sole purpose in this war is to defeat Hitler and Mussolini, and that having done so they can return comfortably to their pre-war lives."

"But things cannot be the same again. We are fighting this war, not only to destroy a vile thing, but so that on its ruins we may build a better world, worthy of the great sacrifices made."

### Ordinary People

"This war will have been won by ordinary people in the fighting services and in the factories, and by women who have kept their homes going in the face of great difficulty. Never again must their interests be sacrificed to those of the so-called Government classes. Social and political inequality must go."

"Whatever the war may do, we must see to it that the essential social services, especially those concerned with the health and education of children, are maintained and expanded. An underfed and under-educated people cannot build a better world."

Miss Mary Sutherland, Chief Woman Officer of the Labour Party, read to the conference a message of goodwill from women's representatives of the Social Democratic Movement in European countries.

### London Homeless

Mrs Barbara Ayrton Gould, bringing greetings from the Labour Party Executive, said that the Labour representatives in the Government were doing magnificent work.

"If we had not gone into the Government when we did we should not be speaking here to-day."

"But we are not the Government, we are only in the Government, and our Ministers can only do as much as public opinion enables them to do."

"The position of the homeless in London has been a scandal. We have been kicking and trying to get something done."

"Finally, after weeks of disgraceful inaction, public opinion was worked up to such an extent that Herbert Morrison was put in instead of Sir John Anderson."

Conference passed an emergency resolution endorsing the declaration of the Labour Party that a lasting peace may be brought nearer by stating clearly our immediate war purpose.

### Billet Dodgers

During discussion on evacuation problems, Miss Susan Lawrence, referring to billeting, said:

"I want to see the large houses taking their share with the smaller houses, and they are not doing it."

"The billeting officers in some localities are up against the force of the feudal system."

The conference demanded that the Ministry of Food should fix prices of all essential foods at a level within the reach of all workers.

## MILITARY HONOURS FOR TEDDY

The Royal Canadian Dragoons' last horse, "Teddy," a veteran of the last war, has been shot at St. John's, Quebec, and was later buried with military honours. The Dragoons are now a mechanised unit.



## SON OF GERMAN DOCTOR

# Took Photos of Aircraft

THE son of a German doctor and the deputy commander of the town's Home Guards, was sentenced at Arundel, Sussex, recently to three months' imprisonment. He was also fined £30, with £2 15s. costs.

The man, William Treutler Holmes, aged 37, was charged with photographing aircraft and a wireless station at a naval aerodrome where he was employed.

Thomas Spencer, a fitter, said he saw Holmes, who had the bottom button of his coat fastened and the two above it unfastened, "standing hard" against some wire.

A plane was on the other side. He put his hand into his coat and bent over.

When some other civilians came along Holmes put a cigarette into his mouth and walked away. Later he came back and repeated his actions.

Harold Henry Sinclair, of Arundel, Holmes' employer and commander of the Home Guards, said Holmes used to lecture to the N.C.O.s on aircraft.

### Was At Sandhurst

Sergeant Elphick said Holmes stated that he took a picture of a bomb crater in front of a wireless station for a lecture to the Home Guards on high explosives.

Mr. H. S. Falconer, defending, said Holmes' father, a well-known German medical doctor, died some time ago.

Holmes was educated at Sandhurst and became a lieutenant.

When the war broke out he joined the Observer Corps because of his keenness in studying aeroplanes.

Mr. Falconer complained that people in Arundel had been saying that Holmes was a Fifth Columnist.

## Ex-Convict Lived In Monastery

A 47-year-old Chinese, who declared that for seven years, from 1931 to 1938, he was in a monastery studying to become a Buddhist priest, pleaded guilty in Singapore recently to being a police supervisee who failed to report.

The man, Lee Hong, was convicted in the criminal district court on a charge of housebreaking on Apr. 22, 1939, and sentenced to three months' rigorous imprisonment, to be followed by a year's police supervision.

Discharged from prison in July, for the next seven months, until February, 1931, Lee reported regularly as a police supervisee.

### Arrest For Chandu

He failed to turn up in March, and a warrant was issued for his arrest on Mar. 9, 1931. In November of this year Lee was arrested by Customs officers in connection with a chandu offence, and his fingerprints proved that he was the police supervisee wanted for failing to report in March, 1931.

Lee admitted the facts, saying he had returned to China where he had studied for seven years to become a Buddhist priest, returning to Singapore in 1930.

The magistrate, Mr. Oon Khye Kiang, sentenced Lee to four weeks' rigorous imprisonment.

## More Women In War Industry

The move to absorb more women into war-time industry, which has the Woman Power Committee, authorised by Mr. Bevin, Minister of Labour, behind it, is likely to develop shortly.

The Ministry of Labour has issued an instruction in regard to the training of welfare workers for the engineering industry, and has asked a number of organisations in touch with women to recommend candidates.

Among these organisations is the British Federation of Business and Professional Women, of which Miss Caroline Haslett, the well-known woman engineer, is president.

### Three Months' Training

Miss Haslett said that the candidates for welfare work, who must be over 25 and have a good educational background, will be given three months' training at a university.

Girls without means will not be penalised if they have the necessary qualifications, as living allowances will be made during training.

Hundreds of women were engaged as welfare workers in the munitions factories in the last war. The fact that training for this work is to begin almost immediately suggests the possible absorption of more women into the engineering industry itself, for munition making, in the near future.

## Czech Helped Poles

The President of Poland, M. Racz-Kiewicz, has decorated M. Jurny Silek, Czechoslovak Envoy in Warsaw until the outbreak of war, with the Grand Cross of Polonia Restituta, one of the highest Polish Government's appreciation of the excellent work M. Silek did in Poland.

The President stressed at the ceremony the necessity for closer collaboration and understanding between the two nations after their restoration.

Since the formation of the new Polish Government by Gen. Sikorski the relations between the representatives of Poland and Czechoslovakia in England have rapidly improved. Until the outbreak of war the two countries were far from friendly.

# NEWSPAPER REPORTER NEARLY LET HIS EDITOR DOWN

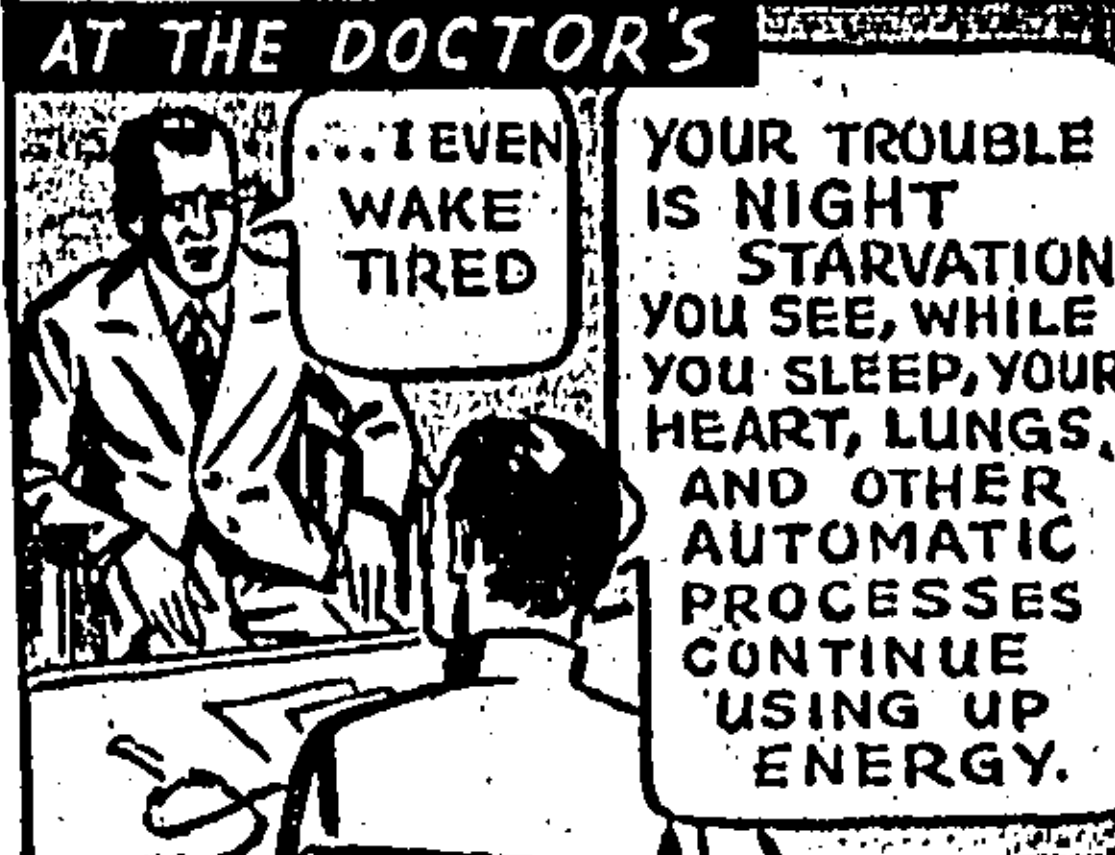


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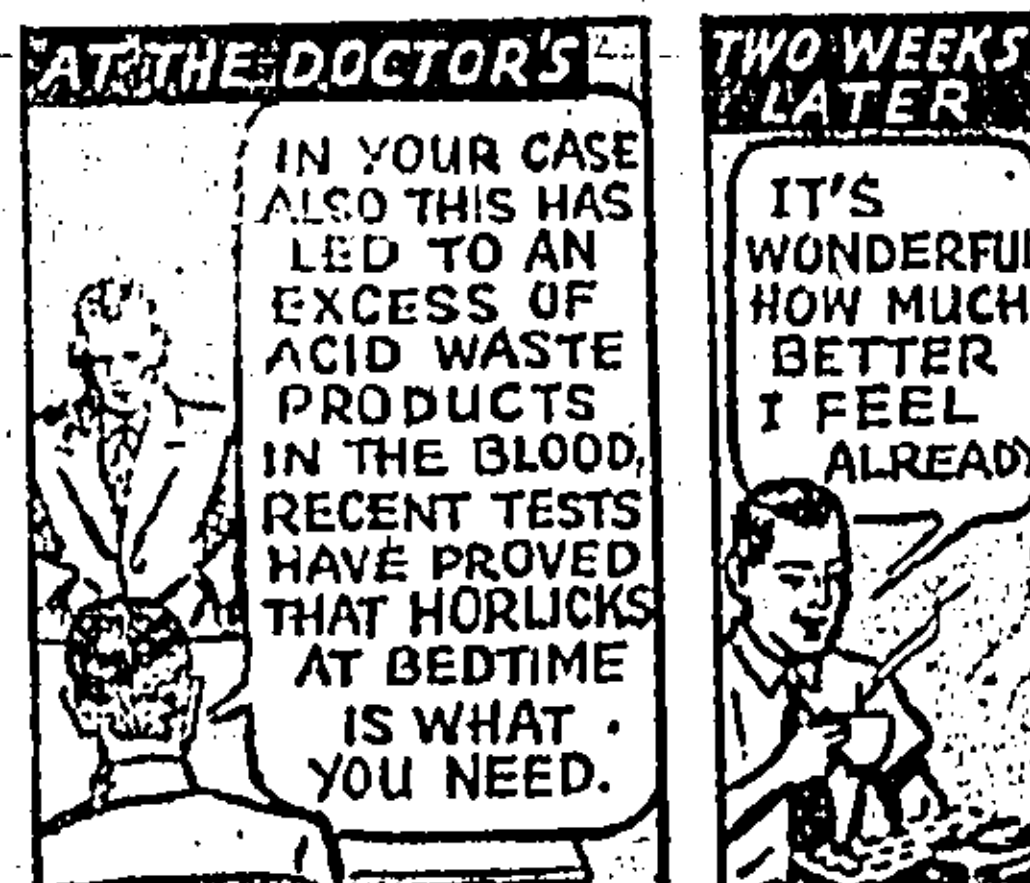
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AT THE DOCTOR'S

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YOUR TROUBLE IS NIGHT STARVATION. YOU SEE, WHILE YOU SLEEP, YOUR HEART, LUNGS, AND OTHER AUTOMATIC PROCESSES CONTINUE USING UP ENERGY.



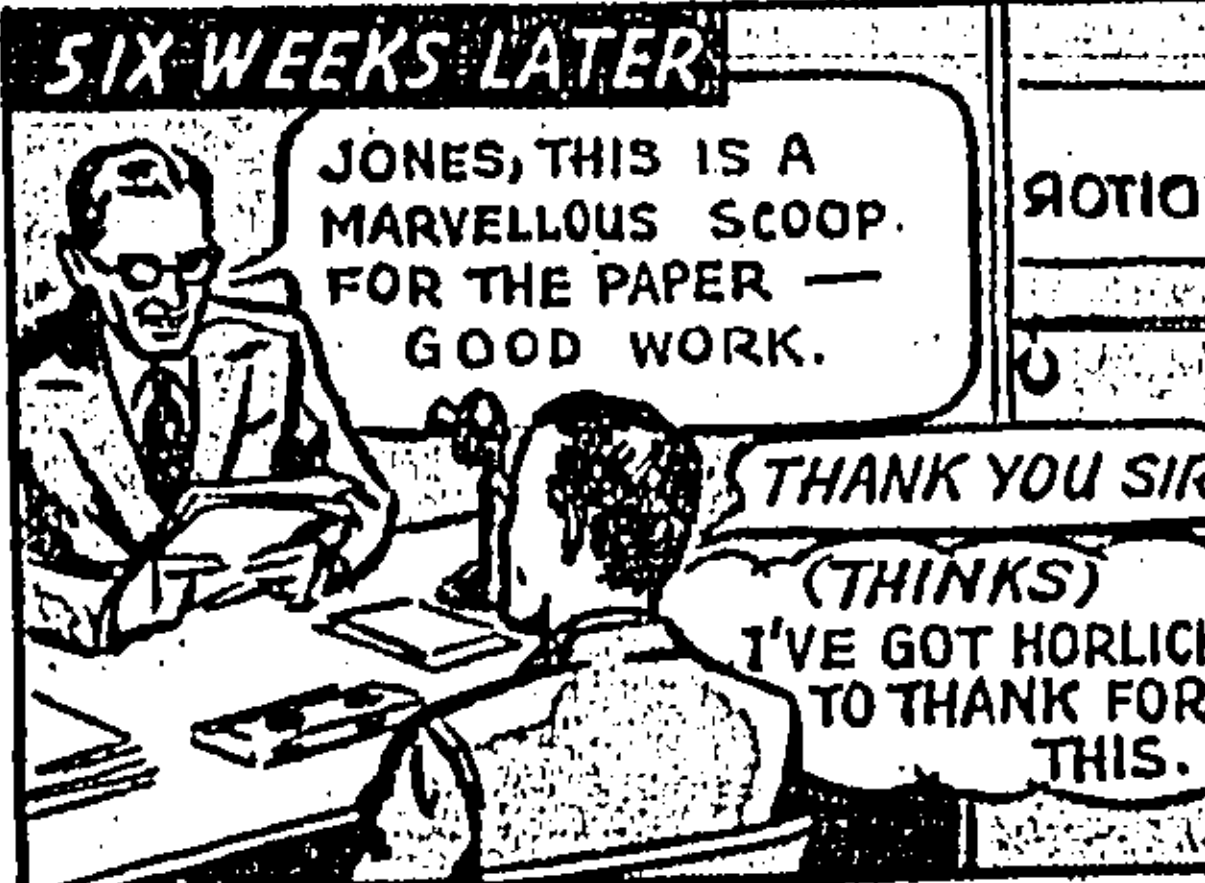
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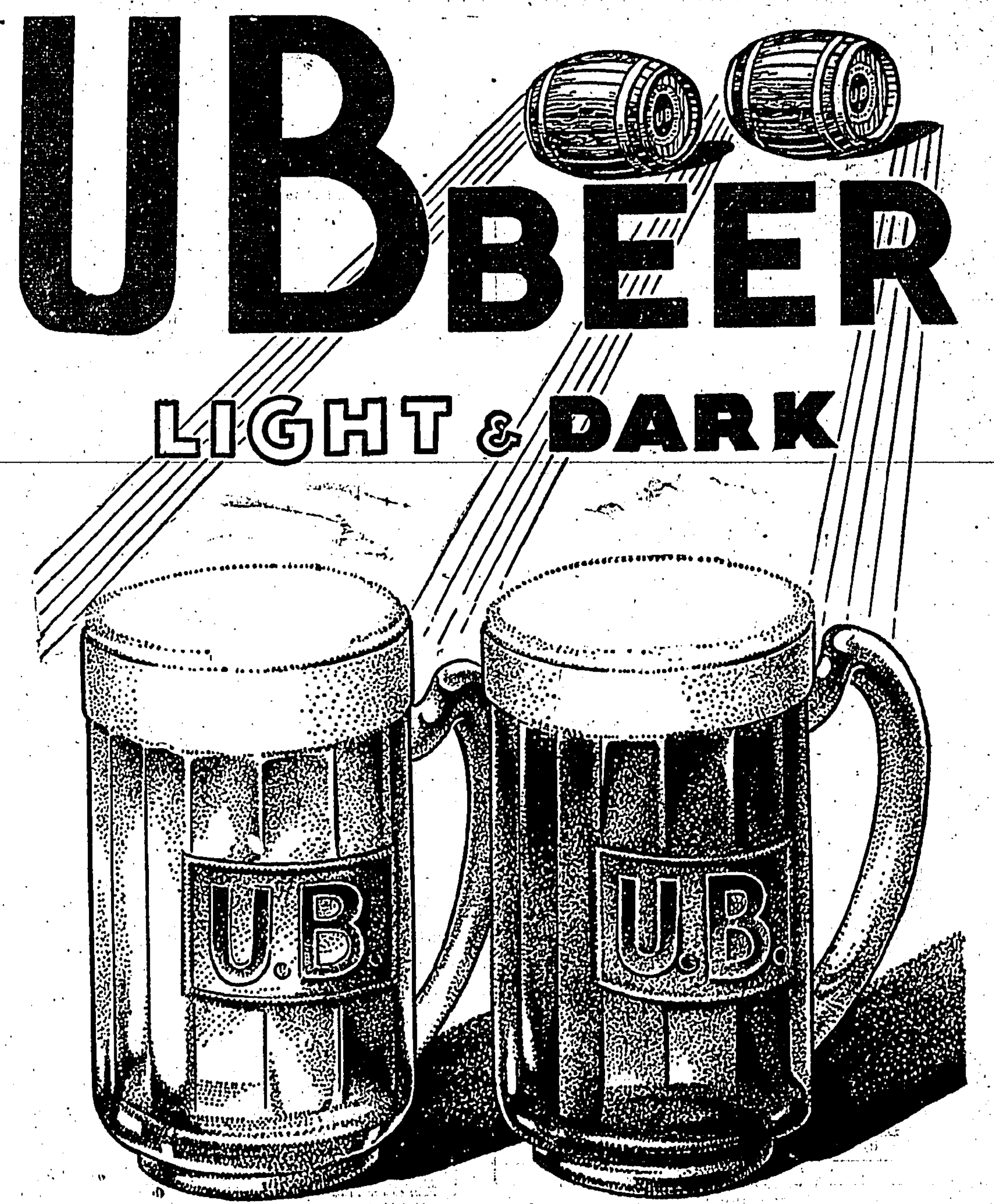
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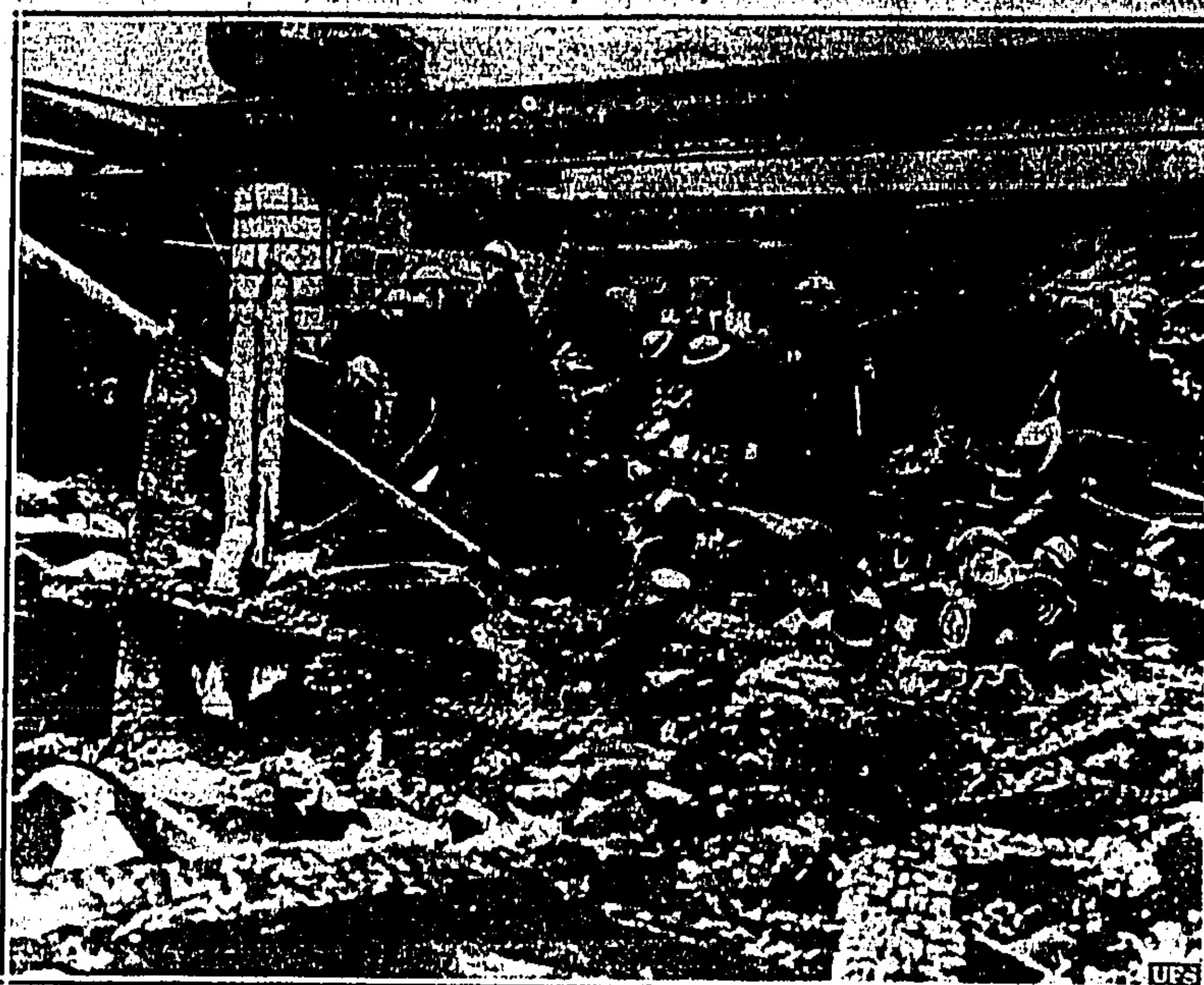
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## Boxer's Son Surprises Grannies

Mrs. Gillies, Hunter Street, Dykehead, Shotts, called "Come in" in response to a knock at her door, thinking it was someone she knew.

To her surprise a strapping young Canadian soldier appeared saying, "Hello, granny." She had to think. The soldier was Pte. Jim Whiteford, Canadian Scottish, her grandson, and son of Bob Whiteford, the one-time Scottish heavy-weight boxing champion.

After a meal and wash-up he travelled to Hassockrig Row, Hart-hill, where his "Granny Whiteford" was taken by complete surprise. Jim exclaimed, "Hello, granny, just paying you a short visit, and to see my native home." Jim emigrated with his parents 13 years ago, when only a schoolboy. He is also a cousin of Jack Whiteford, the Ayr United centre half, now with Hibs.

## GREAT AIR WAR DECISION

How the Spitfire Was Born

When, five years ago, we began in earnest to build a new Air Force, one of the greatest problems was the armament of our fighters, writes an Air correspondent. At all costs, our striking power must be as good as, and if possible better than, that of the enemy.

The position was complicated because on the Continent there was a pronounced disposition to resort to the use of cannon. We had always pinned our faith to the machine-gun, and were reluctant to substitute a heavier weapon that was still in the experimental stage.

The Air Staff determined on a bold expedient. It would obtain as much fire-power as a shell by increasing the number of machine-guns. The actual number decided upon, however, was so staggering as to appear fantastic, for the aim was to employ in each single-seater fighter no fewer than eight. And the machine carrying them must have a speed of about 350 miles per hour.

This requirement was essential, for the Germans were at that time beginning to produce bombers that

were faster than any fighter we possessed.

### Urgent Action

Urgent action was necessary, for in the ordinary course it would have been impossible to put a revolutionary new fighter into production in less than three years.

A Squadron Leader specialist of the R.A.F. thereupon paid a visit to the Supermarine works, at which a famous designer, the late Mr R. J. Mitchell, had evolved a new high-speed monoplane fighter. It was an excellent job, and Mr Mitchell was asked if he could put up the speed and at the same time fit eight machine-guns.

Work was begun on what the Air Minister has recently described as one of the great decisions in the history of air war. It was kept a close secret, but now we know the result—the Spitfire.

Simultaneously the Hawker firm was asked to produce a fighter to the same specification. Out of that came the Hurricane.

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BUTTER FROM EIRE

Mrs. Dorothy Stewart, of Killiney, Co. Dublin, a visitor to Brixham, Devon, was fined £5 at Brixham recently for unlawfully attempting to obtain butter. It was stated that a letter from Mrs. Stewart to a Dublin dairy, ordering butter, was intercepted by the Censor.

Pleading guilty, Mrs. Stewart said she had sent butter from Dublin to her son and daughter in England. She knew that her letter to the dairy would be opened by the Censor, but was unaware that it was an illegal action.

NAVAL VESSELS COME FIRST

For the time being, Australia will not embark on any large-scale commercial shipbuilding plans. All available construction facilities will be needed for defence work.

At the Empire Conference on Supply at Delhi the Australian delegation will explain that several Tribal class destroyers and dozens of local defence patrol vessels are being built at seven shipyards in three States, and that while this work lasts it will not be feasible to embark on large-scale commercial shipbuilding.

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Special to the "Telegraph"  
LONDON, DEC. 30 (UP).—MR NOEL MONKS, THE AIR CORRESPONDENT OF THE "DAILY MAIL", DECLARES THAT WELL-INFORMED CIRCLES BELIEVE THAT SUNDAY'S FIRE RAID ON LONDON WAS INTENDED AS A PRELUDE TO INVASION.

### Greeks Score Another Victory One Nazi Division Arrives In Albania

Special to the "Telegraph"  
STRUGA, Dec. 30 (UP).—Reports from the frontier state that the Greeks re-entered the town about 9 a.m., although it is not yet known whether the occupation of the town is assured. The Greeks are reported to have re-entered the town after all-night preparation, and then repulsed fierce Italian counter attacks.

### NAPLES IS BOMBED

Official Rome Report  
SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"  
ROME, Dec. 30 (UP).—Today's communiqué says that last night British planes in successive waves dropped leaflets and bombs on Naples, killing seven and wounding some.

A British attack was repulsed in the Jalaub zone an important oasis, on the road near the Libyan frontier. In the frontier zone at Cirenaica, artillery fire continued around Bardia. Some small British mechanized units were repulsed while trying to approach the Italian defences.

Without being disturbed Italian naval units effected a lengthy and destructive shelling of Anglo-Greek military preparations on the Greek and Albanian coasts.

On the Greek front the Greeks were repulsed with heavy losses while attempting local attacks. The Italians bombed Trevesa and caused heavy damage and fires on the port and on one ship which was anchored there.

### CHINESE ARMY STRONGER

MOSCOW, Dec. 30 (Reuters).—"The fighting ability of the Chinese Army has increased in the past year," declares the Soviet paper "Red Star," which attributes the increase to the opening of the Burma Road and the development of war industries in the south-west provinces.

### THIEF HAD A.R.P. WARDEN'S BADGE

Leung Po-ming, 23, and Kwok Yau, 25, were charged before Mr. G. T. Lowry at Central Magistrate's today with the theft of a blanket from a room in the Sing Hotel, No. 140, Queen's Road Central.

Mr. Monks said: "The Nazis planned to set big fires, burning all of London before midnight. Relays of bombers laden with high explosives would then have carried out the most destructive raid of the war. A new year invasion was to follow."

Special to the "Telegraph"  
The "Telegraph" Wishes its Readers a very Happy and Prosperous New Year

### SHANGHAI BOMB OUTRAGE

Seven People Hurt  
SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"  
SHANGHAI, Dec. 30 (UP).—A bomb which was hurled from a speeding automobile and aimed at Wang Ching-wei's newspaper, Bang Pao, missed the target and hit an oil shop two buildings away, wounding seven persons, including two ricksha coolies.

This is the second time the Bang Pao has escaped bombing. It is recalled that on the previous occasion the bomb exploded in a nearby alleyway without damaging the newspaper plant.

At the time of the bombing, several automobiles carrying foreigners were passing the scene.

Four bomb fragments crashed through the roof of one of the automobiles and narrowly missed hitting Mr. H. R. Cleland, President of St. Andrew's Society, and Mr. R. S. Henney, a well-known business man.

### Chungking Lists Appointments

CHUNGKING, Dec. 31 (Central News).—The National Government in a mandate issued yesterday re-leased Mr. Ma Fu-shou of his duties as member of the Ninghsia Provincial Government and appointed Messrs Chang Tien-wu, Chow Sheng-chien, Yeh Shen and Wang Chih as new members of the same provincial government.

### NO "TELEGRAPH" TO-MORROW

To-morrow, being New Year's Day, the "Hongkong Telegraph" will not publish. Publication will resume on Thursday, January 2.

## A SAFE HAVEN FOR THE LITTLE ONES

A number of evacuee toddlers from the bombed areas of London have found safety at the L.C.C. Ashford Nursery in Middlesex. The nursery is equipped with shelters where the children can sleep and have their meals, if necessary. In this picture we see some of the babies being conducted to the shelter.



## CHINA MAY GET HUNDREDS OF AMERICAN WAR PLANES

Special to the "Telegraph"  
WASHINGTON, Dec. 30 (UP).—President Roosevelt's references in his speech to the Chinese fighting have revived hopes among Chinese officials that the United States in the near future will release a large number of bomber and fighter planes to China.

The Ambassador, Mr. Hu Shih, together with Mr. T. V. Soong and the military mission under Major-General Fan Chu-mow have been trying for weeks past to obtain the planes, but action has been delayed on the grounds that Britain's needs were more acute.

## Hitler May Make A Personal Reply To Roosevelt's Speech

Special to the "Telegraph"  
BERLIN, Dec. 30 (UP).—Usually reliable unofficial German quarters understand that the answer to President Roosevelt will come directly from Hitler, but whether the answer will be in the form of a Hitler speech, or in a semi-official or authorised utterance along lines directed by the Fuhrer himself, is not yet known.

## Red Army Takes Former C's-in-C.

MOSCOW, Dec. 30 (Reuters).—The former Commander-in-Chief of the Lithuanian, Estonian and Latvian armies have been appointed Lieutenant-Generals in the Red Army.

## Says United States Is Running Towards War

Special to the "Telegraph"  
WASHINGTON, Dec. 30 (UP).—Senator Wheeler, speaking over the radio, said: "The United States is no longer trudging the road towards war—we are running. If we lend or lease war materials to-day, we will lend or lease American boys to-morrow."

He again proposed to lead a campaign for a "negotiated peace", and outlined the basis of what he considered would be a just peace by proposing eight points.

First, the restoration of Germany's 1914 boundaries with an autonomous Poland and Czechoslovakia. Secondly, the restoration of independent France, Holland, Norway, Belgium and Denmark.

LATEST

See Back Page For Further Late News

## Nazis Dig Trenches On Rumanian Border

Special to the "Telegraph"  
BELGRADE, Dec. 30 (UP).—Reports by travellers from the Rumanian frontier reveal that the Germans are digging the trenches and preparing fortified lines in Rumania about 15 miles from the frontier, facing the Yugo-Slav frontier along the entire length of Rumania. The action has caused some uneasiness.

German artillery emplacements are reported to have been built opposite Prabhov.



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U.S. Cross rate in London	4.02 1/2
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## H.K. Stock Market

The following quotations were issued on the Hongkong Stock Market this morning.

### BANKS

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H.K. Banks (L.K.)	77 n.
H.K. Banks (H.K.)	82 n.
Chartered	84 n.
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Vibro Piling	7.70 n.
Marsmann Inv. (Lon.)	7/8 n.
Marsmann Inv. (H.K.)	2/8 n.

## Pots Into Planes.

LONDON, Dec. 30 (British Wire)—More than half the aluminium which thousands of householders gave towards war production has already been turned into the manufacture of aeroplanes.

"The rest," stated Mr. R. A. Layton-Bennett, Chairman of the Aluminium Appeal Committee, "will be ready to take the sky at the end of January."

Some 500 tons of aluminium pots and pans from army kitchens sufficient for 500 planes will be almost immediately, it is stated, be handed over by the War Office to the Ministry of Aircraft Production.

## NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

### BANK HOLIDAY

In accordance with Government Ordinance, The Exchange Banks will be closed for the transaction of Public Business on Wednesday, the 1st January, 1941. (The First Week-day in January).

Hongkong, 30th December, 1940.

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The following rates will be charged for mailing single copies of the following newspapers abroad:—

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## NEW ISSUE OF S.P.C.A. MAGAZINE

The December issue of the "Blue Cross," a quarterly magazine devoted to justice for all animals and the official organ of the Shanghai and Hongkong Societies for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals, contains a Christmas appeal for funds. All funds received are devoted to the alleviation of cruelty to animals in China and Hongkong, and such a worthy cause deserves the support of all.

In addition, the "Blue Cross" contains an article setting forth the conditions under which pigs are imported to the Colony for food. Results of investigations by the Society support the campaign for the elimination of the use of crates for transporting pigs.

The flag day held by the Society in Hongkong on November 23 is also described in this issue.

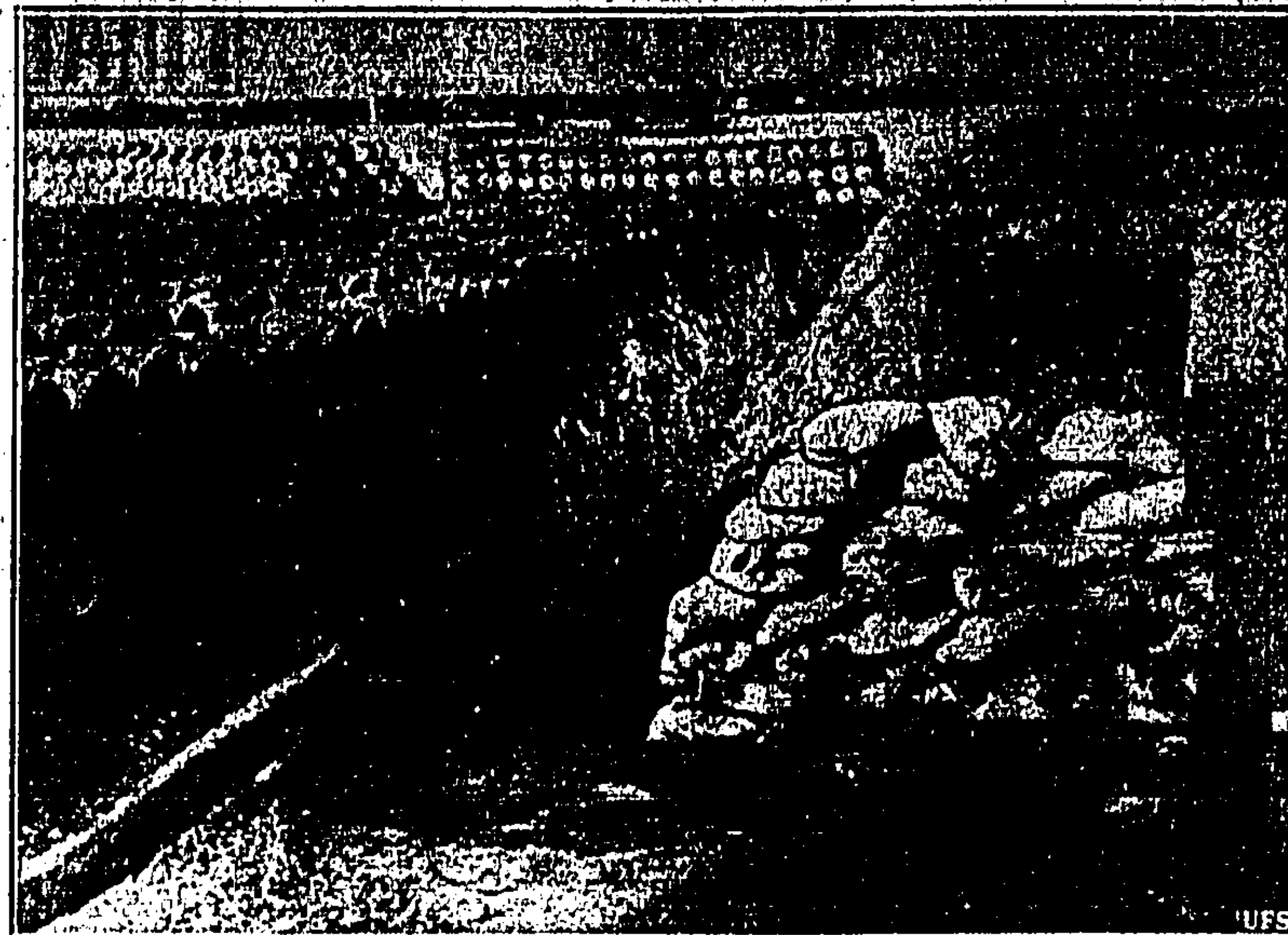
## American Chemist Shot Dead

"SPECIAL TO THE TELEGRAPH" MANILA, Dec. 30 (UP).—A report to the Manila Tribune from Danang, Occidental Negros Province, says that Mr. Addison Kenney, 35, a chemist from California and employed by the North Negros Sugar Central was shot and killed to-day by Felix Vasquez, 40, a sugar planter, following a quarrel over a sugar transaction.

## Food Problem In Unoccupied France

VICHY, Dec. 30 (Reuters).—The Vichy Government is establishing a Central Research Bureau to deal with the urgent problem of food supplies, states "Havva."

It will be under the direction of the Inspector-General of Food Supplies and will work in conjunction with a scientific committee studying products to remedy malnutrition.



AMERICAN GOODS stored temporarily in Hanoi were seized by the Japanese last Friday, according to a United Press message yesterday. The picture above shows part of the vast gasoline and oil stores of the North American Syndicate, some of whose goods were among those seized. (Photo: Harrison Forman).

## JAPANESE DEMANDS ARE MINIMUM FOR EXISTENCE

STOCKHOLM, Dec. 30 (Reuters).—Japan does not intend to aggravate the present situation in the Pacific provided that her own existence is not gravely threatened, said Dr. Itoh, the Japanese Minister of Information, to the correspondent of the Swedish newspaper, "Social Democratic" to-day.

Dr. Itoh added that Japanese policy, based on the alliance with the Axis, was directed against no nation; it merely defined the minimum demands necessary for Japan's existence.

Dr. Itoh declared that Japan hoped to persuade the United States and Britain to sympathize with her view that each nation should play an unhindered role in its own part of the world. In Eastern Asia, Japan's aim was reconstruction on the basis of international justice which would also promote world peace.

## RAINFALL RECORD MISSED

### Colony's 117 Inches

With the sun shining fitfully through the clouds on the last day of the year, Hongkong is narrowly failing to beat a 50-year-old rainfall record which at one time seemed to be "in the bag."

The total rainfall to date for 1940 is 117.69 inches. The highest total for any one recorded year is 119.715 in 1889. Thus by 2.025 inches, a margin that will probably never be so narrow twice in a single lifetime, the record has been missed.

Looking back at the last four months we find that the total rainfall crept up in this wise: the beginning of September, 109.10 inches, the beginning of October 112.69 inches, the beginning of November 113.97 inches to the beginning of December 117.59 inches from which it increased by but a fraction.

The average rainfall for the year is 85.15 inches. After reaching the huge figure at the beginning of September of 109.10 inches compared to the average figure for that time of 67.35 inches, rain had merely to fall at an average rate and the record would have been easily exceeded. As it was, December was almost dry, an event that has been recorded only twice.

## Greeks Capture New Positions

LONDON, Dec. 30 (Reuters).—"Forward" positions to the west of Pogranitz have been wrested from the enemy and despite bad weather the action has yielded good results all along the front," stated the Athens radio to-night, quoting a communique of the Greek Press Ministry.

## Income Tax For The Straits Settlements

Special to the "Telegraph"

SINGAPORE, Dec. 30 (UP).—The Straits Settlements and the Federated Malay States, one of the few parts of the British Empire without any income tax, are likely to toe the line as a result of the recommendations of a joint committee advocating a war tax designed to raise £2,500,000 to be presented to the Empire Government.

Incomes under £575 would be exempted, and the scale graduated until the tax would be eight per cent. on incomes above £2,400 yearly.

## Free China Turns Back On Opium Smoking

CHUNGKING, Dec. 31 (Central News).—In a circular telegram to the entire nation yesterday Generalissimo Chiang Kai-shek announced the termination of the Six-Year Opium Suppression Programme and threatened the death penalty for any opium producer, addict or trafficker.

Generalissimo Chiang said that according to reports submitted by different provincial and municipal governments, the opium suppression programme had been brought to a conclusion in September and all licensed opium supplying organs had now been closed down.

"Beginning on New Year Day," Generalissimo Chiang enjoined, "all Chinese should march on the road of glory and rejuvenation, spiritually and physically, and should redouble their efforts to eliminate the last trace of the opium evil."

"All Chinese in the enemy occupied areas should fight against the Japanese policy of narcotics in the same courageous spirit as in the battlefield," Generalissimo Chiang instructed.

The National Government also issued a mandate to-day announcing the completion of the Six-Year Opium Suppression Programme and instructing the Executive Yuan and the different provincial and municipal governments to continue their efforts to ensure the total elimination of opium.

Declaring that the elimination of opium is the foundation for national rejuvenation, the mandate urged all Chinese not to relax their efforts in this respect.

## Aviators Decorated

LONDON, Dec. 30 (British Wire)—A bag of at least 18 enemy aircraft and "outstanding leadership, D.S.O. award to acting Squadron Leader R.R.S. Tuck, D.F.C.

A bar to the D.F.C. is also announced in the latest list of R.A.F. awards to Acting Flight Lieutenant J. C. Dundas, who has destroyed at least 12 enemy aircraft and "on one occasion pursued an enemy aircraft from Winchester to Cherbourg, finally destroying it."

Four D.F.C. awards include one to Squadron Leader M. V. Blake, a New Zealander.

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1.00 Local Time Signal and Weather Report.

1.03 Mavis Bennett (Soprano) and Light Symphony Orchestra.

1.30 Reuter and Rugby Press, Weather Forecast and Announcements.

1.45 Dance Music.

2.15 Close Down.

5.45 Indian Programme.

6.30 Closing Local Stock Quotations.

6.32 Deltas—Sea Drift.

6.33 London Relay—The News.

7.15 London Relay—Questions of the Hour.

7.20 Portuguese Programme.

8.00 Local Time Signal, Weather Report and Announcements.

8.03 Variety.

8.41 Hawaiian Selections.

9.00 London Relay—The News and News Commentary.

9.30 London Relay—Talk: "Scots Abroad."

9.45 Beethoven—Symphony No. 4 in B Flat Major, Op. 60.

1st Mov: Adagio; Allegro vivace; 2nd Mov: Adagio; 3rd Mov: Allegro vivace and Trio; 4th Mov: Allegro ma non troppo.... The B.B.C. Symphony Orchestra conducted by Arturo Toscanini.

10.17 Vladimir Horowitz at the Piano.

Presto-Passionato (Appendix to Op. 22—Schumann); Dream Visions, Op. 12, No. 7 (Schumann); Mazurka in E Minor, Op. 41, No. 2 (Chopin).

10.30 Gilbert and Sullivan's "Rudolf."

With Symphony Orchestra conducted by Dr. Malcolm Sargent.

11.45 Light Orchestra.

Light Cavalry—Overture (Suppe).

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12.00 midnight. Bells of St John's Cathedral ringing in the New Year.

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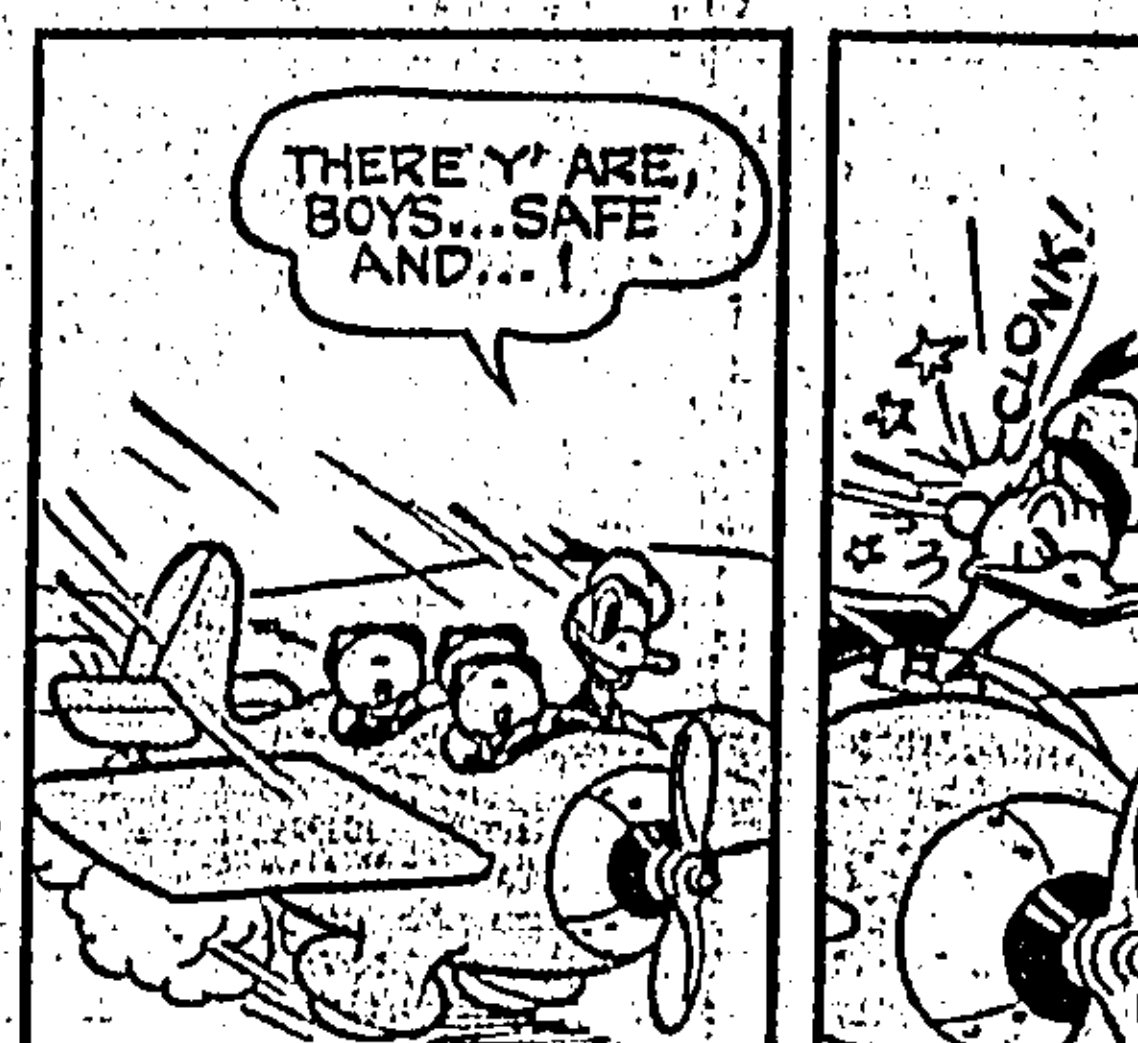
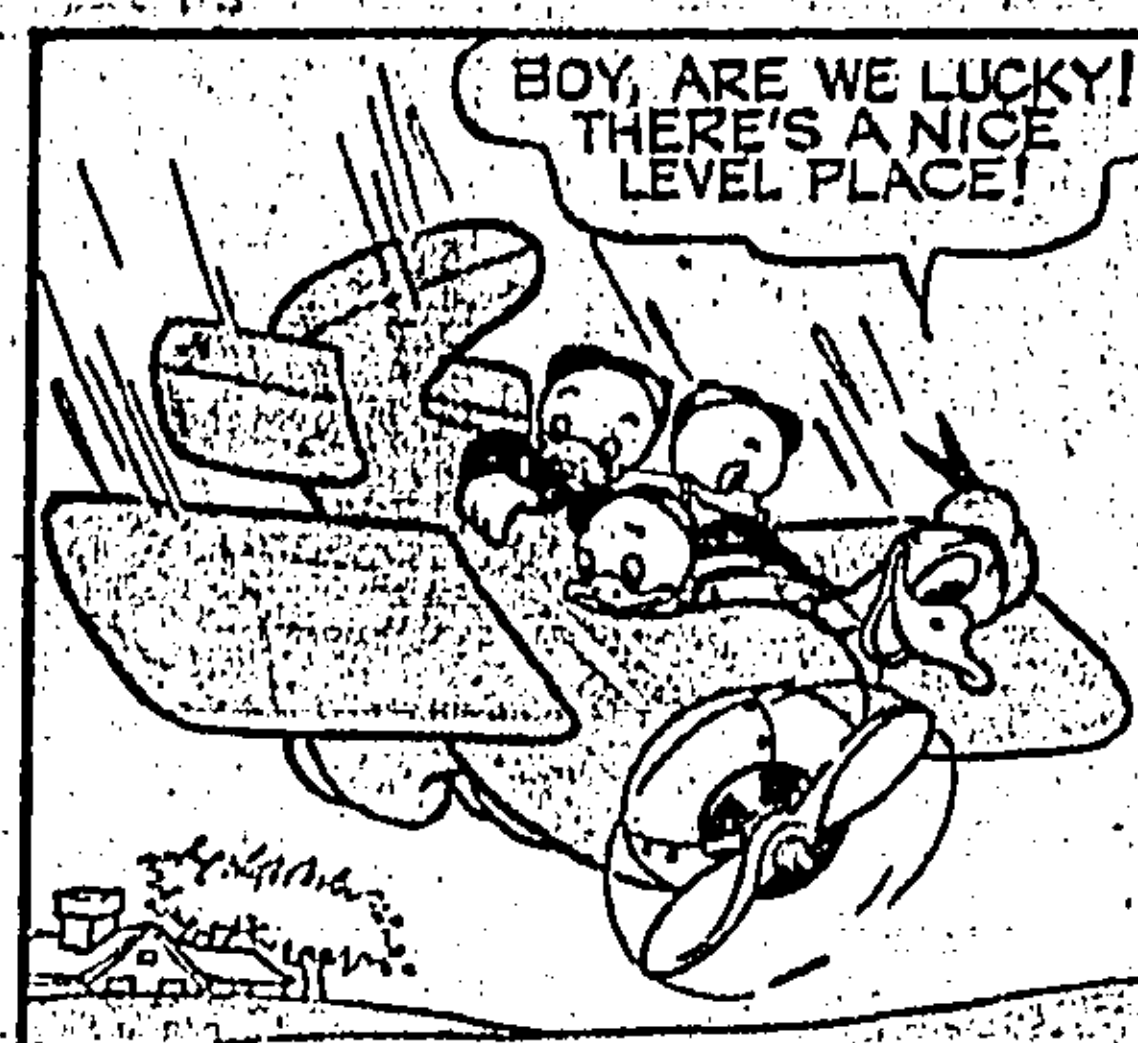
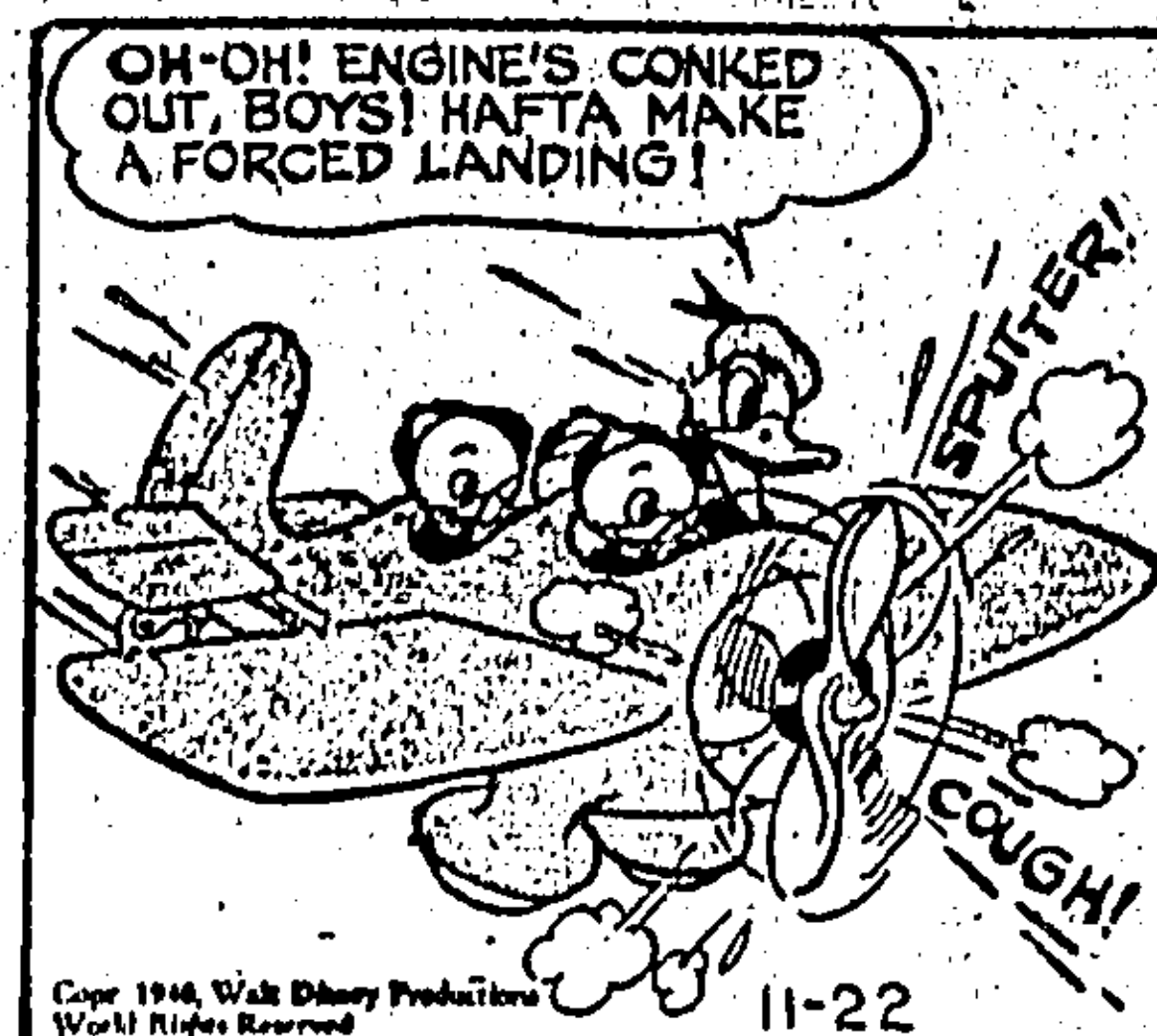
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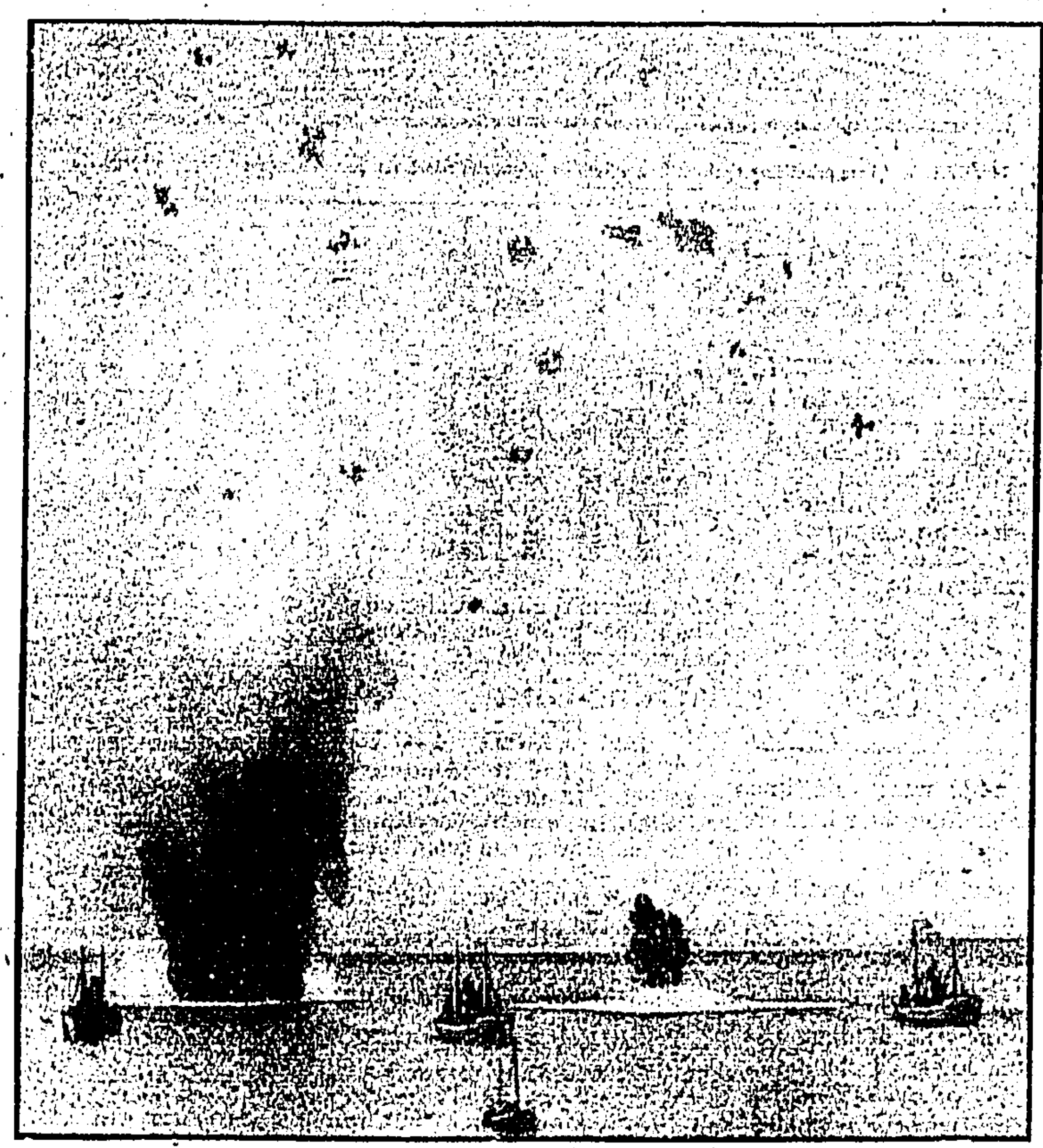
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## MAGAZINE PAGE



A DRAMATIC picture of the Nazi mass raid in Dover Harbour. The enemy planes—25 were brought down—can be seen turning away after releasing their bombs, all of which missed their objective.

### Morale with Jam On It

BY RITCHIE CALDER

WE are going to have morale with jam on it. For Vitamin B<sub>1</sub>, which will appear in our bread, by Government orders, is the "anti-jitter vitamin."

Lack of it impairs our will to resist and our fighting efficiency. It leads to nervous debility and lethargy.

"People suffering from even a minor degree of deficiency of Vitamin B<sub>1</sub> in their diet," says Sir John Orr in "Feeding the People in War-time," "have no stomach for a fight."

That was true of the troops who capitulated at Kut. After desperate fighting General Townsend's troops were invested at Kut.

At first they accomplished great feats of courage, but as the siege progressed they became afflicted with beri-beri, due to lack of Vitamin B<sub>1</sub> in their food, and with it came deterioration.

Its progress is described in a saying in the East: "It is better to walk than to run; it is better to stand than to walk; it is better to lie than to stand; it is better to sleep than to wake; it is better to die than to live."

That might be a doctor's diagnosis of the phases of Vitamin B<sub>1</sub> deficiency.

#### B<sub>1</sub> PEP

Similarly, the collapse of the Italians at Caporetto in October, 1917, was partly a question of bad feeding. Their rations were grossly inadequate and so was their Vitamin B<sub>1</sub>.

Now that does not mean that the chemist can give us courage according to a prescription and it does not mean that we can swallow Vitamin B<sub>1</sub> as Popeye, the Sailor, swallows his canned spinach and then shout: "Where's that tiger?"

According to reports that is what the Germans have been trying to do with their troops. They have been giving them "neat" Vitamin B<sub>1</sub> before they went into battle.

But what this new development means is that the population will be guaranteed through a staple article of diet, the Vitamin B<sub>1</sub> of which they might be deprived through lack

of the variety of foodstuffs from which they derived it in peace-time. It means that our natural courage and will to win will not be sapped away through any deficiency in our diet. And it is not a dope.

#### WHOLEMEAL

We could get it naturally if we eat wholemeal bread, but about 95 per cent. of the population are hopelessly addicted to white. And to get white bread the millers have to remove the bran and germ of the wheat which are rich in Vitamin B<sub>1</sub>.

Now they are putting back what they took out, but in war-time that has its advantages. White flour keeps indefinitely. Wholemeal flour does not. So we can hoard white flour.

Furthermore, we need the bran and millers' offal as essential feeding stuffs for our cattle. In other words, we can have our cake and they can eat it.

The Vitamin B<sub>1</sub>, which will be added to the flour before it reaches the bakers, is known as "aneurin" because it is good for the nerves. It is a pure crystalline substance for the manufacture of which a factory has been established.

Concentrated Vitamin B<sub>1</sub> in this form was first produced in America in 1936. The Germans also evolved it, and so did two British biochemists Drs. Todd and Bergel.

For four years, scientists under the direction of Professor E. C. Dodds, world-famous expert, have been working on it, perfecting it so that it could be added to the flour at the mill and sent out, with its mineral phosphate, calcium, to the bakers ready for the dough-mixer.

#### JUST A BIT

Only tiny quantities are required. Maybe they have not disclosed the amount because, in terms of a loaf (which looks the same and tastes the same), it would be so infinitesimal that the housewife would say "Well, we'll have to take your word for it."

But she can rest assured that, under strictest supervision it will be there to provide us with a crumb of confidence and a crust of courage.

Furthermore, all our digestion will be the better for it. It will help our hearts and prevent at least some of our head aches.

If you want to be a stout-hearted fellow you can B<sub>1</sub>.

### This Spy's Job Is

SHE is a very beautiful blonde, old enough to be sophisticated, young enough to be glamorous. She haunts the most expensive hotels in Bucharest, talks Rumanian with a slight German accent, and sometimes whispers in quiet corners to bullet-headed Germans.

She looks like a Nazi agent, and acts like one. Her name is Edith von Ohler. And she makes no secret of the fact that she is a Nazi agent.

But Edith is different. She may glean valuable information as a spy. Far more important is her job of "giving away" secrets. She does not make eyes at high-powered Rumanian officers. Edith prefers cosy little business chats with editors of leading Rumanian papers.

She offers them articles: Secrets of the Siegfried Line, How Germany is Winning the War, and so on. Good articles, too, and all free.

Edith von Ohler calls herself a journalist, but she is in fact one of the leaders in Dr Goebbels' propaganda drive into the Balkans.

Not only do the Nazis give away articles and photographs; they buy up whole newspapers to put over their propaganda. German newspapers are on sale at specially reduced prices.

The Italians are not far behind. There was an Italian named Colvino who brought the corpse of his wife to Greece and asked permission to erect a church in her memory.

The pious Greeks readily gave permission. Colvino built a magnificent place, called the Church of St Catherine, and worshipped at the tomb of his wife every day.

Then people began having trouble with their wireless sets. Investigations were made and the "church" proved to be nothing less than a fully-equipped short-wave wireless station.

In Belgrade, Jugoslavia, Germans fitted

up the central telephone exchange. There is good reason to believe they installed secret listening-in apparatus, so that every telephone conversation in Belgrade can be overheard by Gestapo agents who have taken over a certain house in the suburbs.

Another fertile ground for Nazi intrigues; bribery and corruption among state officials are rife. Wages are so poor that civil servants are expected to make up their pay by some other means. The Commander-in-Chief of a Balkan Army is considered highly paid. Yet he only gets £7 per week—£360 a year.

General Metaxas, virtual dictator of Greece, lives in a flat over a shop. Even ex-King Carol of Rumania, most ostentatious of monarchs, had to find various ways of supplementing his income, and his sister kept a greengrocer's shop just behind the royal palace.

Although politicians are painfully liable to be assassinated, there are always plenty of candidates for parliament, because of the power it gives, and the wire-pulling that can be done.

After all, an M.P. needs extra-income. In Jugoslavia, for instance, an M.P. visiting his constituency thinks nothing of having to buy a round of drinks for 500 people at a time, which make rather a hole in his month's salary of £45!

All this seems a most fertile ground for Axis intrigues. But there is one great stumbling-block. There are many different nationalities in the Balkans, and each nation is fiercely jealous of the independence. There are Slavs, Czechs, Greeks, Turks, Macedonians, and most of the trouble in the Balkans is because some of these countries have a minority of other races under their domination.

For generations these minorities have been fighting for independence. Any attempt by Nazis or Italians to overrun the Balkans would cause even greater revolts.

That is why Hitler, for all his temptations, dare not step directly into the Balkans. He knows he would step into a nest of hornets.

### GIVING AWAY SECRETS

By Jane Condon

### FUNNY SIDE UP

By Abner Dean



"I can't fire her... with all she knows about us she'd go right next door and get a job with the Smiths!"

### Postal Workers In Raids

Taking up the defence of post office workers against the complaints of delay in the services and of the closing of post offices during the period of air raid warnings, Mr T. J. Hodgson, general secretary of the Union of Post Office Workers, said recently that the post office had been faced with a problem of understaffing as well as air raids. Many post office workers had been called to the Colours, and it would not have been forgotten that on a recent occasion the King commented on the number of postmen now in the ranks.

Thousands of post office workers had been working 12 hours a day, Sundays included, for a long time. Apart from the exceptional cases in which men had lost their homes entirely there were others who could not get home, night after night. Their duty ended at the time the enemy began. Post office workers were not afraid to do their duty, and more than their duty, but many places, like sorting offices, had glass roofs, with only wire netting protection, and the work of increasing the protection took time. Telephonists, holding the vital communications of the country, could be fairly described as in the front line. They were doing splendid work. The telegraph service was snowed under, as well it might be.

Mr Hodgson said that the closing of the public counters on the receipt of air raid warnings was a departmental regulation. Post office workers had not asked for preferential treatment over the rest of the workers shouldering the burden in these days.

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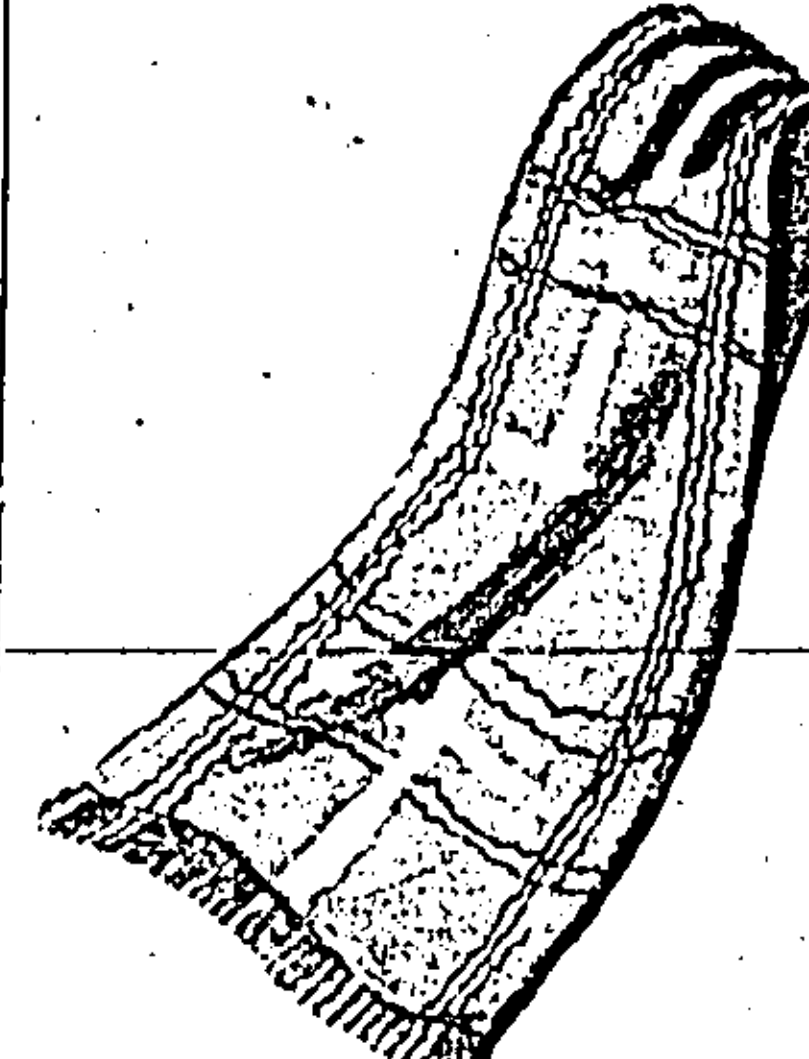


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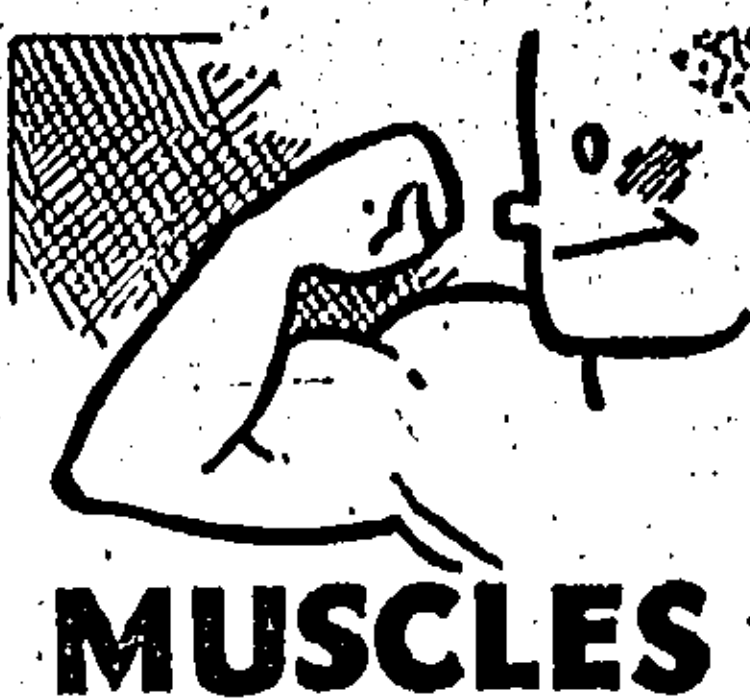
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### PLEDGE & A WARNING

PRESIDENT Roosevelt has struck another mighty blow for the anti-Totalitarianism cause. He has told the three Axis Powers—Germany, Italy and Japan—in firm unequivocal terms, that the United States is prepared to go any lengths, should the necessity arise, to prevent world domination by these aggressor nations. In the meantime, he has promised Britain and her Empire, now engaged in a life and death struggle with a common enemy, expanded aid to the limit, short of war.

The cabled reports of the President's speech do not provide details of the proposed increased aid, but they are not difficult to guess. The Marquis of Lothian, before his untimely death, made it clear to Mr. Roosevelt that Britain would need financial assistance in the not distant future; there is little doubt that this will be forthcoming. Secondly, the President has made it known that he is closely studying ways and means of speeding up aeroplane supplies to Britain, and one suggestion, which apparently is being seriously contemplated, is that for pooling the resources of the American motor industry to provide for 500 planes a day. Thirdly there is the proposal, now being fully discussed in Washington, to hand over to Britain, Danish and Norwegian merchant ships tied up in American ports. Fourthly the President is studying the possibility of making available to the British navy additional destroyers for convoy work.

Thus the British nation can look forward to the new year with renewed hope. President Roosevelt yesterday let the world know that Britain's fight was America's fight, and though he pledged the nation that no American soldiers would be sent to Europe, he pointedly referred to the fact that the U.S. fleet was in the Pacific, inferring that it would be prepared to act against further aggression in the Far East.

Mr. Roosevelt's speech, in fact, was a highly stimulating new year message. While free of threats, it revealed a clear determination on

## THEIR JOB IS BEING BOMBED

I HAVE just been listening at headquarters of Coastal Command, R.A.F., to the almost incredible story of the most bombed men in Britain.

These men lead lives more amazing than any others in all the activities that combine to give Britain's Air Force that well-proven superiority, man for man, machine for machine, over the numerically stronger enemy.

They are the "Three Men in a Boat"—a yellow armoured target motor-boat—who provide our bombers with the nearest thing to a real, live human target to be found anywhere.

Sometimes they are called the "Bulldoze Squad." But these men laugh at that description of such a taken-for-granted, everyday job. You meet them all round the coasts of Britain—wherever there is a sea target range for our bombers.

Their boats, painted yellow, so as to stand out well as targets, as they are smaller than any hostile craft our bombers have to hit, take up their positions on the ranges when the daily practice times come round.

The three men are snug inside, under three and a half tons of armour. Colossal weight for so tiny a craft. But, even so, they wear crash-helmets and car-protectors.

The armour covers the wheel house, engine room and hull. The rest of the boat is packed with a secret buoyant material to render it unsinkable.

Not one has ever yet been sunk. But several have been overturned by the force of the bombs.

The three men, specially trained to escape from their target in such emergencies, get clear till the craft rights itself, or is righted.

Then back they climb again, and carry on as usual.

The bombs weigh eleven pounds each. But despite their smallness they are so accurately powerful when they register a direct hit to dent the thick armour plate of this powerfully protected man-controlled target and to give the crew inside an uncomfortable crack.

The percentage of hits is just as uncomfortable high, and has gone up enormously since the outbreak of war.

But the practice bombers don't have it all their own way. The three men in the little yellow boat give them a run for their money.

They streak along at twenty knots, turning, zig-zagging, watching the bomber's course and dodging it, so as to be a hostile motor torpedo-boat, the smallest and nimblest objective our aircraft ever have to hit.

Securing a direct hit on a crash-diving U-boat, caught by surprise, is in comparison child's play.

Many a bomb-aimer who has sent a U-boat to its doom has a friendly thought in the moment of success for the fearless and hard-bitten three men in a boat who give him practice.

There is not a single act of courage. It is just a routine incident in the daily round. Of none of them ever makes a song about.

Go much so that not one person I've met has ever heard of these silent heroes who pit their speed and armour against the precision bomb-aimers of the R.A.F.

There are many such crews and such boats. They belong to the Marine Craft Section of the R.A.F. and are operated by Coastal Command.

The crews receive the ordinary pay of their ranks. Their extraordinary job is contributing immensely to the deadly skill of British bombers.

And these bombers are now finding their mark in relentless and incessant raids on enemy objectives from Bergen to Brest and from Gih, to the Red Sea.

C. B.

## Fine Reduced By £14,500

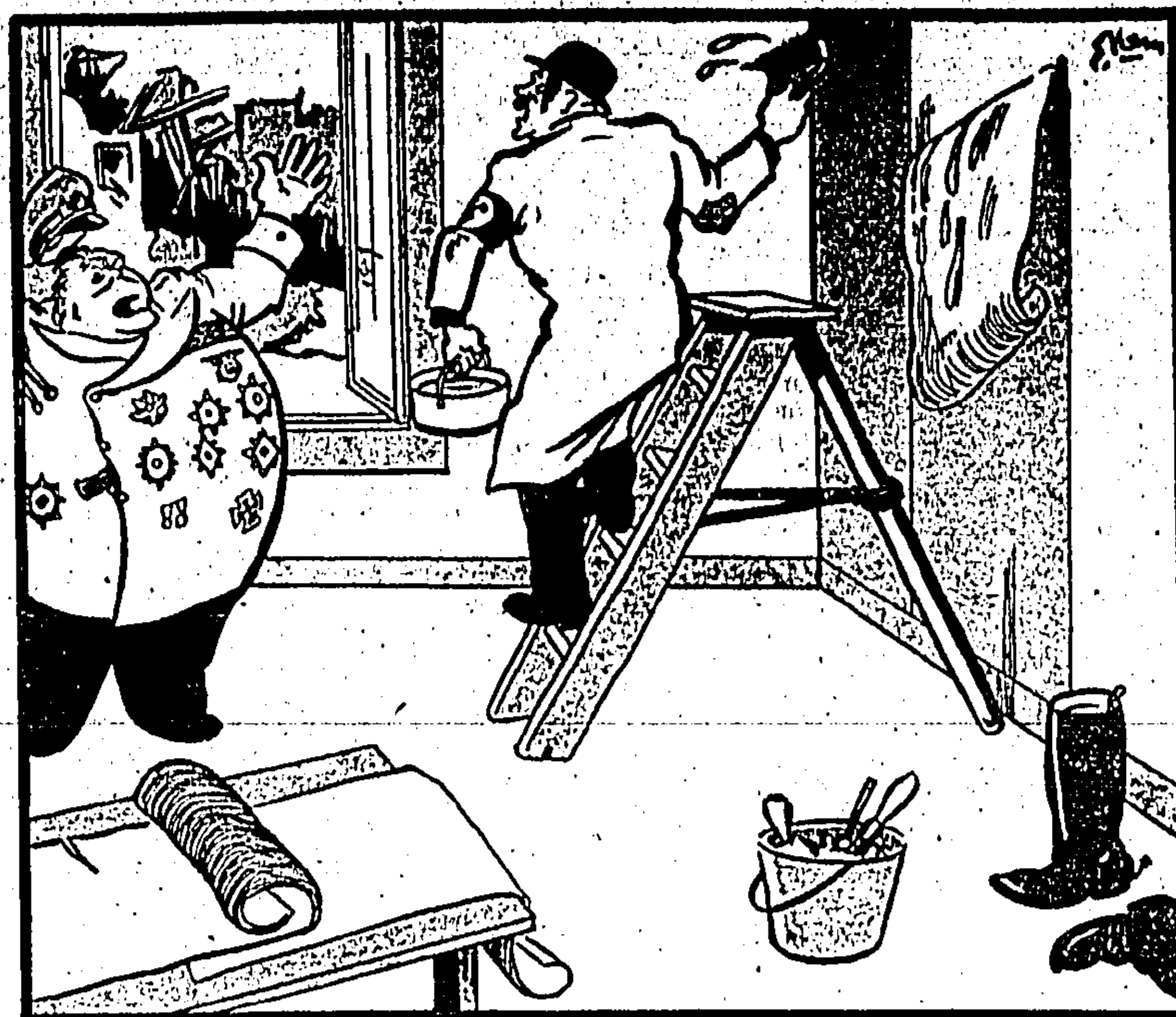
A fine of £15,000 and £25 costs which had been imposed by Sir Robert Dummatt at Bow Street Police Court was reduced to a fine of £500, and no order was made as to costs, by the London Sessions Appeals Committee recently.

The applicant was Leon 'Pendell' Argenti, a company director, and he had been convicted of failing to offer two bars of gold and 400 sovereigns, valued together at £7,200, for sale to the Treasury.

Mr. L. A. Byrne, supporting the magistrate's decision, said that just before war broke out Argenti went to Belgium. He resigned from the directorship of an English company. He returned to this country on June 27, and in subsequent correspondence disclosed that he had been in possession of the gold.

On behalf of Argenti, Sir Patrick Hastings, K.C., said that a most unfortunate miscarriage of justice had taken place, for which no one was to blame. Argenti's father was an Englishman, and the applicant was educated at Marlborough and Oxford.

the part of the American President to support, both morally and physically, the cause of democracy, and it can be regarded as a solemn warning to the Axis alliance. Hitler and his partners would do well to note Mr. Roosevelt's renunciation of appeasement until aggressive Totalitarianism has been obliterated from the world.



HITLER.—"I am practising again... There will be plenty of work for paper-hangers after the war..."

## 15 YEARS FOR SINGING

The third chapter in an interesting eye-witness narrative of how the Nazis occupied a part of the United Kingdom—the Channel Islands. Told by a native to

### DUDLEY BARKER

## "GOD SAVE THE KING"

of 10 p.m. and 6 a.m. Later on, as the nights grew longer, those hours were extended.

### Machine-Gun

### In Their Boat

THE Germans wasted no time in establishing their hold on Guernsey.

They occupied the island on Sunday, June 30, without many of the islanders knowing they were there. But on Monday, the first full day of their occupation, they saw to it that the whole island knew all about it.

As Fred Hockey said—Fred Hockey, the harbour signaller from St Peter Port who later escaped to England to tell this story—they made a thorough job of it, once they started.

"Everybody who could hurried down to St Peter Port that morning to see what was happening," he said, "and we found that the Germans had taken over all the chief hotels."

"They set up their headquarters in the Royal and the Channel Islands hotels."

"The officers were quartered in the Old Government House Hotel, and the N.C.O.'s in Moore's Hotel. Private soldiers were billeted in unoccupied houses all over the island. None was billeted on the island families."

### Newspapers

"Altogether there were about 1,000 German troops on the island, and a few sailors came later to take over the harbour."

"The first thing we knew that Monday morning was that the island's two newspapers, the 'Press' and the 'Star,' were being distributed free."

"They kept that up for three days, and their front pages were covered with the new German regulations for Guernsey. Later on, the papers started carrying a German lesson every day, though I don't think many of the islanders took the trouble to learn it."

"I got a copy of the first day's papers, and started to read the regulations. There were a lot of them, but the principal ones were these:

"All weapons—guns, ammunition, even daggers and bayonets—had to be handed in at once to the Royal Hotel."

"IT WAS FORBIDDEN TO SING 'GOD SAVE THE KING,' THE PENALTY FOR DOING THAT WAS 15 YEARS' PENAL SERVITUDE."

"Nobody was to be outside his home at night between the hours

"All clocks had to be altered by an hour, to fit in with German time, by which everything on the island was run from then onwards."

"No fishermen were allowed to leave the port, but three weeks later that was altered, and they were allowed to go out to a limit of two miles from the shore."

"One or two fishermen broke that rule, and they got a shot across their bows as a warning, and then a launch went out to bring them back."

"Afterwards, their boats were hauled up on the beach for the duration of the war."

"What is more, if three or more fishermen went out in one boat, they had to take a German sentry with them, and he sat with a machine-gun across his knees."

"Other regulations published on that first day said that all motor transport was stopped, except for absolute necessities. The chief tradesmen, for instance, were allowed to use vans for deliveries. All petrol had to be handed to the Germans at once."

No Talking

In Groups

"There was to be no talking in groups, and severe penalties would be imposed for that."

"NOBODY WAS ALLOWED TO BUY ANOTHER MAN A DRINK IN A PUB. EVERY MAN HAD TO PAY FOR HIS OWN. ALL SALE OF SPIRITS WAS BANNED, AND THE SPIRITS WERE TO BE HANDED OVER TO THE GERMANS."

"All larders had to be declared of stores of sugar, tea, bacon and any tinned food. It had to be handed over to the Germans at the Channel Islands Hotel."

"Rationing, as under the British rule, was continued (it was soon made much more severe), and we were allowed only one small piece of soap a week."

"All business was to carry on as usual, and any shops that had shut were compelled to re-open."

"There were a lot more regulations, but those were the principal ones. I finished reading them, and then I thought I had better send my son Harold down to the Royal with our shotgun."

Given Back

His Sword

"He found two German sentries class marked standard. You'd be surprised at the number of boxes of weapons of all kinds that the islanders had brought in."

"One man even brought an old sword, but he was told he could

keep that. Harold threw our gun on the pile, and went out quickly. "I happened to have quite a bit of food stored away in my house, and I decided to risk not handing it over. I was lucky, and they did not search the house, as they did some others. And the food was very useful later on."

"I went down to work a bit early that afternoon for I did not know what would happen. I was stopped at the entrance to White Rock, and told I must go to the Channel Islands Hotel for a pass."

"And that was the first time I saw the German Kommandant who had been put in charge of the island. "I was shown into his office, and there behind the desk sat a short thick-set German officer with dark hair and very lively, piercing eyes. I should say he was about 42 years old. He wore a uniform something between brown and khaki in colour and a peaked cap with white braid and the eagle's wings on it. He also wore the Iron Cross."

Kommandant

Was Polite

"His name was Dr. Lenz, and I must say that, all the time I was on the island, he behaved like a gentleman."

"After a time, indeed, the Guernsey people's fear was that he might be replaced by some other German Kommandant. He had an assistant at first, a Dr. Mans, who also behaved well, and he was then transferred to France."

"We got quite used, in time, to seeing the Kommandant driving about the island."

"He was always driven by a local policeman in the police car, which had a swastika flag put on its bonnet, but wherever the Kommandant went he was accompanied by a German soldier as bodyguard, with two revolvers strapped to his belt."

"When I first met him, on that Monday afternoon, he was perfectly polite to me. He spoke excellent English. He asked me what my job was, and took down particulars of me. Then I was handed a pass, in German, that would let me on to White Rock."

Food Taken

From Island

"The German sentry passed me through with it at once that evening. Not that I had anything to do, for the harbour was still empty, and no ships came."

"None came, indeed, until the following week, when the first German boats started to arrive from France."

"There was one, the Holland, which was still plying regularly back and forwards when I left, bringing troops guns and ammunition from France, and taking back all the things the islanders were forced to surrender—the food stocks, the spirits, and so on. Even cases of tomatoes."

"But I don't think," added Fred Hockey with a grin, "that the Germans got a very high opinion of Guernsey tomatoes. Both these boys of mine, George and Harold, were working in the glasshouse. And they can tell you that, when the Germans came in and ordered too many boxes to be prepared by a certain time, they didn't always get quite the best quality tomatoes there are!"

"And the pecking," said George dreamily, "was not always first-class."

"He found two German sentries class marked standard. You'd be surprised at the number of boxes of weapons of all kinds that the islanders had brought in."

"One man even brought an old sword, but he was told he could

THURSDAY: "TINY THREATEN ME WITH REVOLVERS."



# GERMAN PRESS SILENT

## Roosevelt Speech Unpalatable

LONDON, Dec. 30 (Reuter).—While the United States and Britain welcome President Roosevelt's great speech, the Axis Powers did not find it quite so palatable. Germany itself is carefully avoiding all discussion on the speech or any mention of it to the German people. The junior partners of the Axis are a little less reserved. Signor Gayda (Mussolini's pet mouth-piece) threatening the United States while Japanese circles intimate that they regard his statement of policy as being one of continued American help to Free China.

A Columbia broadcasting corporation summed up early American press reactions as being that America is now facing the battle of defence. Senate circles were reported to have given the speech considerable praise.

### South America

In Buenos Aires and Mexico City the speech was welcomed as a plain statement that America stands by democracy. Reference to the utility of appeasement is noted with special satisfaction. In Germany, President Roosevelt's speech is hailed as the people's aid there is no official reaction. A Wilhelmstrasse spokesman said that he could make no statement. The Berlin correspondent of the Swiss paper "Basler Nachrichten" says that the German press for the time being has called off the campaign against President Roosevelt to intensify American aid to Britain. There is an ominous quiet in the political atmosphere of Berlin, he reports.

Italian political circles assume indifference and say they find nothing to worry about in the call for increased help for Britain. Nevertheless Signor Gayda warns President Roosevelt that Axis tolerance is limited. Writing in the "Giornale d'Italia," Signor Gayda calls the speech a statement of unclarity in war. The Axis Powers, he says, will not strike back at the United States unless she tries to interfere with the counter-blockade or cedes to Britain, German and Italian ships tied up in American ports.

The Tokyo reaction is reported to be that the speech is regarded as a commitment of further American aid to China.

### Congress Comments

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"—WASHINGTON, Dec. 30 (UP).—The following are the Congressional comments on President Roosevelt's speech.

Senator Arthur Vandenberg, Republican, said, "The President made a powerful statement of position. I agree with his denunciation of appeasement in order to have peace. A demand for a statement of the war objectives of the belligerents would make it undeniably clear whether or not peace is possible. The question of judgment always remains regarding the extent to which we should use our defence facilities and build up our own preparedness in both oceans."

Senator Alben Barkley, Democrat, said, "It was a magnificent address which certainly clarifies the objectives of the American people."

Senator Warren Austin, Republican, said, "It was just what this country needed."

### Greatest Speech

Senator William King, Democrat, said, "It was one of President Roosevelt's greatest speeches."

Mr. William A. White, Chairman of the Committee to Defend the Allies, said, "We do not need to fear that we shall send our boys to war if we keep our men at home on the assembly belt. This war will be won for world democracy if we give the President our support and trust to him to keep America at peace. His statement was calm and magnificent."

## K.C.C. Teams For Saturday

Kowloon Cricket Club teams for Saturday—the Juniors in a league match, and the seniors in a friendly—will be as follows:

2nd XI, v. 1st XI—S. A. Gray (captain), R. Baldwin, C. A. Goodwin, W. W. Parsons, J. M. Baker, L. R. Birch, W. L. Bailey, E. Curtis, H. Brookshire, Umpire, R. Leigh, Scorer, J. W. Newman.

At Kowloon, Recreation will meet the home senior team in a friendly game. Kowloon's team is (captain), N. D. Lloyd, D. J. N. Anderson, R. E. Lee, D. Hing, A. Zimmerman, E. F. Fincher, J. J. Lee, N. A. Zimmerman, R. T. Broadbridge, Umpire, J. P. Robinson, Scorer, T. W. Carr.

## Left And Right Apply Pressure

# Bulgaria Tries To Steer Middle Way

SOFIA, Dec. 30 (Reuter).—Bulgaria will not depart her avowed policy of strict neutrality, declared M. Popoff, the Foreign Minister, in the Bulgarian Parliament to-day.

M. Popoff emphasised that there are no current causes requiring a change in the neutrality policy which has been clearly enunciated.

This statement was made during a debate on the budget in which an ex-Minister had stated that the Bulgarian people had the right to ask the Government to clarify the foreign policy because they would defend Bulgaria with money and property.

### Left Wing Elements

M. Popoff also referred apparently

### Sportball

## New Year's Day Fare At The Kowloon F.C.

NEW YEAR'S DAY will again see the Marauding Mohawks in action in an exhibition tilt against the combined U.S.S. Mindanao and Tulsa at the Kowloon Football Club at 2 p.m. Whole of the proceeds will go to the "S. C. M. Post" and "H.K. Telegraph" Bomber Fund.

It has been learned that the Mindanao aggregation have been practising diligently at Shamoon and three of their number, "Ski" Powlawski, Muddy Ruel and Puddle Jumper Wilson, are already playing in the First Division. The former is with St. Joseph's and the latter two are members of Abe Liu's Chinese Baseballers.

Champions of the local baseball league this past summer, the Mindanao men can always be expected to give a good account of themselves in the American national baseball league. It is to be wondered if they can show the same calibre at baseball's kider. However, they will have the support of the stars from the Mighty T, and an interesting tussle is expected.

### Anything Can Happen

Charlie Waggoner, manager of the Hongkong Baseball Club's Mohawks, has intimated that he will start Doc (Jonesetter) Molten on that day. That's how much he thinks of the "savior" squad. Charlie mentioned that with a tongue in his cheek as he knows very well that anything can happen in a ball game—at least once!

## INTER-COLLEGIATE BOWL GAMES SCHEDULED

WASHINGTON, Dec. 30 (UP).—The following is the schedule for Bowl football games:

Nebraska Bowl—Nebraska v. Stanford.  
Sugar Bowl—Boston College v. Tennessee.  
Cotton Bowl—Fordham v. Texas Aggies.  
Orange Bowl—Georgetown v. Mississippi.  
State Sun Bowl—Western Reserve v. Arizona.  
State Pol Bowl—Fresno State v. Hawaii.  
Nebraska are favoured, particularly if it rains, as many of the Stanford players, including their full-back, Stan D. Lee, are suffering from injuries. A record attendance, drawing about 80,000 is expected.

## R.A.F. DESERT ATTACK

CAIRO, Dec. 30 (Reuter).—The enemy's Western Desert landing grounds at Tadmira, Derna and El Gazala were raided by the R.A.F. on Sunday.

Fires were started at Tadmira and dispersed aircraft were attacked, according to an R.A.F. communique.

## 'THE NEW BRITISH WEAPON'



A PICTURE from Germany captioned "The New British Weapon"—the incendiary foil. This is a fire-raising "pill" packed with specially treated cotton-wool which burns under the influence of oxygen or the sun's rays. Fires started this way, the Germans add, "would be less easy to trace than those begun by ordinary incendiary bombs."

## DELAYED DECLARATIONS IN LOCAL CRICKET

(By "R. Abbit")

(Continued from Page 6.)

cannot get enough net practice. However, he goes in as a bat and field—with the possibility of being used to break a stand. I hope the authorities will consider this game for China New Year.

### Century For Owen-Hughes

But I seem to have diverged from the dullish Club Army draw. I saw Owen-Hughes and Knight settle comfortably down with much interest. (But I wish the caterer would get those nice little round pork pies which really taste like their names instead of that leaf-shaped abomination. Even the hard boiled egg thrown in does not console me.) I was unable to discover the name of left hand over the wicket bowler but I think it was Dixon. With a wicket to help him he might be quite dangerous, even though he got no wickets on the excellent pitch on Saturday. Tropp looked pretty adequate too and bowled much better than when he turned out for the Civil Service. No one else did much. Knight played free cricket and when he was out at 84 he had scored 51 of them. Ride came next and helped Owen-Hughes to put on another 73 runs of which he scored 28 nicely.

### A Big Total

Mindful no doubt of the weakness of his own bowling, Owen-Hughes held on until 202 when he had made 103 not out. The declaration left the Army time for only three less overs. Unfortunately I forgot to get anyone to time the tea interval. Gros and Logan did not come off but T. Pearce (54) Webb (26) and Skipwith (26) all got runs and the total at close of play was 176—as extras obliged with 27. Taking all runs including extras the Army at 7 per over. Not such bad going. Only one maiden over was bowled.

### At The K.C.C.

I gather from onlookers that there was a painful difference from the I.R.C. match with Kowloon on the latter's ground. The I.R.C. occupied the wickets during thirty four overs and scored at a rate of 4 per over. This was only due to A. H. Madar (66) and A. R. Minu (31). I gather that most of the batsmen played in a most restrained style and I can't help feeling all is not well with I.R.C. A. H. Madar and A. R. Minu have carried them for years and I don't see any new blood or new enterprise. When they declared at 139 for 7, K.C.C. had only time for 10 overs. However, they scored at a rate of just over eight runs per over—and rattled up 154 for two wickets.

### Fine Hitting

I was very glad I arrived in time to see most of it. The wicket was taking spin but was easy. How Dugby Huang (45) managed to off-drive Minu for 6 with a cross bat I can't imagine but he was all over him and seemed to hit across the break with impunity. Anderson (70) played very correct forcing cricket and both batsmen were cutting excellently. It all looked so easy too. F. J. Lay got a few at the end and I like to hear it is unlikely to fall into this pit of swollen-headedness that some of our youngsters have found lately.

### Craigengower v. University

Playing at Happy Valley the University managed to get a good draw with the home side although their bowling was not very convincing and they missed Clegg very much. Craigengower ran up 174 for 5 declared with Hulke a much improved bat this year making 77 not out and A. B. Hanson 33 not out. However, like so many sides, they held on for

more of their fair share of the time, having 30 overs against the Varsity's 24 only.

### Varsity Bat Well

The great improvement in the Varsity batting was maintained and they were never in difficulties as K. Y. Tam (37) and C. N. Matthews (62) gave them a splendid start and then captain Sen Gupta came along with a sound 26 not out, so that they wound up with the sound score of 140 for 4 wickets declared.

### Juniors Lose

At Pokfulam the second eleven did not do so well as C. W. Lam had a field day and apart from knocking up 69 not out took 6 wickets for 24 runs. S. Leonard got 27 and Craigengower declared at 161 for 7 wickets. The University could only manage 107, Norman Singh being top scorer with 10—a score equalled by Mr Extras!

### High Scoring By Recreio Second

The batting of the Recreio second used to be their weak point but they have been much better this year and on Saturday they hit the Police bowling to the tune of 185 for 7 wickets declared. P.M.N. da Silva (52) and H.A. Barros (56) were the principal scorers. When their turn came to bat the Police collapsed and were all out for 60 of which the first two were Carty and Clarke got 16 and 10 respectively. They are an in and out side this year and very often cannot turn out their full side which is always worrying and tends to upset people and put them off their usual game.

### Smaller Games

I see that, owing to a plucky innings of 39 not out by Jernakoff, D.B.S. Staved off defeat by the Civil Service second who had made only 98 of which Barrow had 33 and Stone 32 runs. The latter took 7 for 49 and is a useful all-rounder. J. Maenuley took 8 for twenty and seems to be bowling very well this year. The R.A.F. drew with the Pay Corps, Slinson (69) for the former team and Bailey (40 not out) for the latter being the only batsmen to do anything. Hawkins for the R.A.F. took 6 for 14 in 7 overs. A good performance.

### Is Saul Among The Prophets?

I have frequently seen Frank Goodwin hit up twenty or thirty in a few minutes but I cannot recall his ever having exceeded the half century. (I may be wrong!) but playing for the Kowloon second he hit up 53 not out at a time when his side wanted runs badly. I.R.C. second had made 166 for 7 and Goodwin only got 3 for 40, which after his success against the Club first, rather surprised me. A.R. Sufind was top scorer with 56 not out, and including extras there were five other scores of double figures. Bakter (30) alone did much besides Goodwin, but they managed to stall off defeat.

## HONGKONG F.C. UNFORTUNATE

HONGKONG F.C. have been unfortunate enough not only to lose D. I. Bleckford temporarily, as he is in hospital with injury to his thigh, but on January 6 E. L. Strange, another prominent Club footballer, will be proceeding on leave, and will be absent from the Colony for a period of four months—that is the remainder of the soccer season.

## T.U.C.'s Part In The War

### Close Collaboration

LONDON, Dec. 30 (Reuter).—The great part played in the battle for Britain by the Trades Union Congress is the subject of a review issued to-day in London.

This review shows how close and satisfactory is the collaboration between the Government and the T.U.C., which represents over 5,000,000 organised workers. Goodwill on both sides and a united determination to defeat the Nazi menace and to preserve democracy quickly swept away the initial difficulties. The whole machinery is now working smoothly.

### Raid Relief

The T.U.C. is playing an increasingly important part in other spheres as well. For instance, more canteens provided by the Unions for air raid relief work have been inspected by the King at Buckingham Palace, while similar canteens have done magnificent work in Coventry, Bristol and Birmingham.

Nearly £1,000,000 has been lent to the Government free of interest and individual contributions in the T.U.C.'s Red Cross Penny-a-Week Scheme have already brought in thousands of pounds.

## Chinese Press Heartened

### Roosevelt's Encouragement

President Roosevelt's "fireside" talk in which he bitterly denounced the Axis Powers and appealed to the American nation to convert itself into a "great arsenal of Democracy" was interpreted by the "Ta Kung Pao" to-day as a clear indication of the trend of the United States foreign policy in 1941, which embraces further positive aid to Britain and China. The report in the "New York Herald-Tribune" regarding the sale of 400 American planes to China eloquently testifies to this, the paper asserted.

Of particular significance in the President's speech, the paper said, was the part declaring that the Tripartite Alliance between Germany, Italy and Japan is aimed at menacing the United States. This amounted to a virtual refutation of the recent utterances of Mr. Yosuke Matsuoka and Admiral K. Nomura, respectively Japanese Foreign Minister and Ambassador to the United States, branding them as mere lies.

It is Japan, and not Germany, who finds the speech most painful to receive, because the latter does not hope for a rapprochement with the United States but the former does, as her Ambassador is on the verge of sailing for America to improve relations between the two countries. The "National Times" termed President Roosevelt's speech as representative of the voice of the entire American nation.

### Miniature Soccer

## Presentation Of Schools' League Trophies

The presentation of trophies in the Kowloon Inter-School Small Boys' Miniature Soccer League took place at the McPherson playground, Homantin, yesterday, during the interval of an exhibition match between the Champions, the National English College, and a "Pick-up" team. The match ended in a goalless draw.

A large silver cup, to be retained by the team winning it three times, was presented to the League by Mr D. P. Lal. Other trophies were donated by Mr Lo Tung-fan, chairman of the Executive Committee of the Children's Playgrounds Association, and Mr Leo Gwok-ying.

### SPORTSMANSHIP

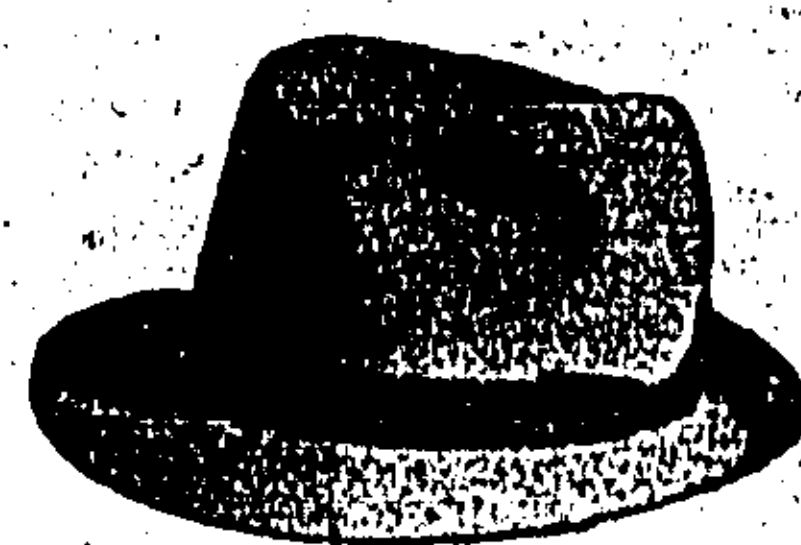
Before calling on Mrs Lal to present the prizes, Mr Lo stressed the object of sportsmanship in games. The boys were also told not to be downhearted if they had not won anything this year, but to try again next time. Mr H. N. Tam, director of the Playground, also spoke.

The winners were the National English College, with eight wins out of nine matches, followed by Wah Yan College with seven wins and Man Sang College and Ming San College with six wins each. Other competitors were the Tak Ming Middle School, Nam Mo Middle School, Mun Far Middle School, Kowloon English School, The Primary School of Canton University, and the Wah Nam Middle School.

### Fanling Golf

## New Year's Day Starting Times

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190 Col. Rose, F. A. Redmond.  
200 Lieut. Carter, Capt. Thurbay.  
210 Capt. Parry, C. Jensen.  
220 R. L. S. Webb, W. Sharp.  
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## "R. Abbit's" Cricket Comments

# Delayed Declarations And Draws

## Poor Initiative Shown By Both Captains And Batsmen

This year if ever, I thought we should get a fairly large series of early declarations or at least displays of free hitting. There is nothing to prevent it. There is no League to worry captains. There is no bowling to worry batsmen. And yet Saturday after Saturday we got the same old delayed declarations owing to poky batting and the same old draws. The most glaring case was the match between the Recreio and the Civil Service. The former batted for 26.3 overs for 163 runs while the Civil Service had only 18.4! I asked Eddy Gosano at the end of his innings why on earth he had not declared twenty minutes earlier and he replied that his later batsmen had had no match batting practice. I suggested that in a cheerful friendly he might have reversed his order instead of letting his usual batsmen open every time. This did not seem to have occurred to him.

### C. S. C. C.—RECREIO FARCE

The match was of course turned into the usual farce where the C.S.C.C., batting second, had practically no chance of a win and could only lose through a collapse. In fact this latter they nearly did, as Attwell played all round one of Eddy Gosano's in his first over and was bowled; Perry was l.b.w. to Ozorio—it was very high but the ball may have been dropping; while Griffiths tried to drive Gosano and got his pads in front, beaten by the swing I fancy. After that I left the field partly in disgust and partly because I had to get on and see K.C.C. and the Indians. Unfortunately I missed some good cricket for, after Hollidge had failed, Baker came to the rescue and settled down to play free and excellent cricket. Richardson, who is in splendid form at present, went on to 55 not out while Baker got 48 playing some very good shots.

#### Recreio's Batting

The earlier batsmen did well enough as J. M. Gosano (34) E. M. L. Soares (24) A. M. Prata (27) and E. L. Gosano (20) all made fair scores. I did not see the beginning of the innings but I fancy the C. S. bowlers fall in length. Perry and Baker are alright to begin with but afterwards do not seem to recover their length in second spells. For once Richardson was used in the right way. When Soares was hitting Richardson went on. Soares hit him for six and then was "caught on the boundary" Dicky promptly went off. I. Whitley and Smith were poor though the latter caught an excellent catch off his own bowling somewhere about deep mid-on!

#### Usual Club-Army Draw

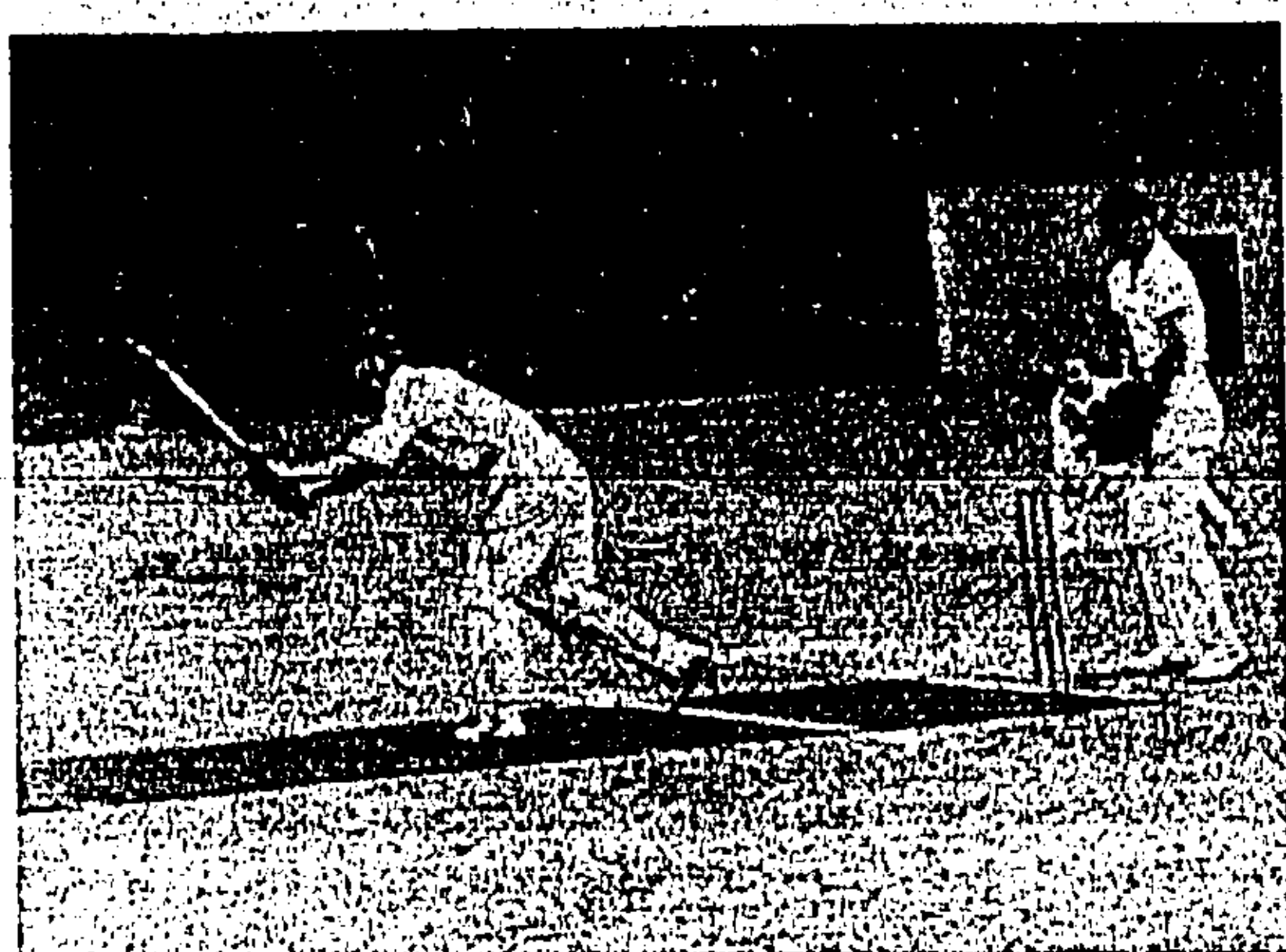
It has been unfortunate—though probably inevitable—that the two all day games and last Saturday's games have been or will be practically Club v. Army. Personally I should like to see the Club, when they can draw on their full membership—i.e. the Civil Servants—take on the K.C.C. in an all day, or better still a two day match. I have no hesitation in saying that at present the K.C.C. are the best side in the Colony excluding perhaps a full Club side which would bring in Civil Servants, and Major Grose and Alec Pearce from the Army. I think that the following side in a rough batting order would in a full two day game make a



Lt Fergus (Royal Scots) bowling against the Volunteers in their cricket match at Sookunpoo on Sunday. Ming Yuen.

splendid match with the K.C.C.: J. E. Richardson, T. G. C. Knight, A. Pearce, H. Owen-Hughes, Major Grose, L. T. Ride, A. E. Perry, D. McLellan, F. Baker, J. L. C. Pearce and A. J. Dewar. If Major Grose is averse from keeping wicket, then I would drop John Pearce for T. V. Fortesque. John Pearce is doing much better with the bat than T. V. Fortesque this year but he seems to have lost his bowling. I suspect it is merely temporary because he

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N. A. E. Mackay (H.K. Volunteers) batting against the R. Scots at Sookunpoo last Sunday. He scored 49, contributing to the Volunteers' victory of 200 runs.—Ming Yuen.

## Japanese Swimmers In H.K.

### Holiday Golf Pools At Fanling

The Bogey Par Pool held over the Old Course at Fanling during the Christmas Holidays attracted 42 entries and was won by Major W. G. Harvey (10), one up. The Medal Round over the Old Course was won by T. Low, 82 (12) 70. There were 30 entries.

The Bogey Par Pool over the New Course attracted only 14 entries and was won by A. J. Dennis (10), one up. The sum of \$35 from entrance fees has been donated to the South China Morning Post Bomber Fund.

#### CAPTAIN'S CUP

The Captain's Cup will be held on January 4 and 5 over the Old and New Courses. Bogey Par Pools will be held on January 11 and 12 over the New Course and on January 18 and 19 over the Old.

The first round of the Junior Championship will be held on January 10.

### Max Baer Heavyweight Contender

NEW YORK, Dec. 27 (UP).—The American Boxing magazine Ring's annual ratings place Max Baer, former world heavyweight champion, as number one contender for Joe Louis' crown in view of the fact that he has knocked out both "Two Ton" Tony Galento and Tom Combsky. The magazine predicts that Bill Conn, the current light-heavyweight champion, who is slated to meet Louis next June, will not last very long against Louis' terrific wallop. Holders of chief contenders for the middleweight, bantamweight, and flyweight titles are not listed, but the following represent the leading men in each division: Heavyweight: Joe Louis; light heavyweight: Billy Conn; middleweight: Len Overlin; welterweight: Walter Zivic; lightweight: Lew Jenkins; featherweight: Harry Jaffa; bantamweight: Olivera; flyweight: Jackie Paterson (Scotland). Cefelino Garcia, former Filipino world middleweight champion, is rated eighth amongst the light-heavyweight contenders while Klunkow Young is second in a group of bantamweight contenders.

### College Stars En Route To Manila Practice At European Y.M.C.A.

(By "Ripple")

JAPANESE SWIMMERS, en route to the Philippines to take part in the P.I. Inter-Collegiate and All-Philippine Champions, arrived in Hongkong yesterday and availing themselves of the offer of the European Y.M.C.A. turned out for a practice swim in that pool.

The party was comprised of five collegiate swimmers, and a coach. But among the five was Sigeo Arai who took third place in the 110 metres at the 1936 Olympiad at Berlin.

Others of the party were T. Hiraga, third ranking back-stroke swimmer; Tosio Honma, third ranking distance swimmer; Saitiro Oura, second ranking breast-stroke swimmer, and Taketya Honda, a sprinter. Manager is Mr Tokuhiko Salto, a member of the Executive Committee of the Amateur Swimming Federation of Japan.

In fresh water, unopposed and swimming for the first time in some weeks, the Japanese nevertheless provided remarkable exhibitions in the short time trials yesterday. These times, briefly, were:

S. Arai—100 yards (freestyle)—59.0 sec.  
T. Hiraga—110 yard (backstroke)—70.6 sec.  
T. Honma—440 yards (freestyle)—5 mins.  
S. Oura—220 yards (breast-stroke)—2 mins. 42.2 sec.  
T. Honda—110 yards (freestyle)—61.2 sec.

From Arai the small handful of spectators were given a fine demonstration of the use of the arms in sprinting. Peculiarly, his leg beat, though strong, was not as powerful as I had expected from a swimmer capable of such speed over short distances. Rather from Honma, who swam the quarter-mile, was the power of the leg-beat demonstrated.

#### Continuous Stroke

But all were possessed of glide—the hall-mark of good swimmers—particularly Arai. His powerful arm strokes appeared to continue right up to the moment of lifting his hands out of the water. His stroke was down under the body of the hips, and then backwards and out. For style, however, Hiraga, the back-stroker, was the best to watch.

His cupped hands curved gracefully over his head before entering the water, but his powerful stroke had the effect of lifting his head and neck out of the bath.

Oura jumped off for his 220 yards breast-stroke, and completed three-quarters of the bath under water—at terrific speed—before breaking surface. He did not employ the butterfly stroke, but outstanding feature of his swim was his kick. He snapped his legs together with extraordinary power, and one could almost hear the water swirl under the surface.

#### Turning Lessons

Last of the swimmers was Honda, who also swam 110 yards in a sprint. He gave lessons in turning. He favours touching with his left hand, and to accomplish this he institutes a short right arm break at the end of the bath when there is likelihood of his right arm reaching there first. In this quarter-stroke, as it were, he loses none of his speed but gains the required left-hand turn.

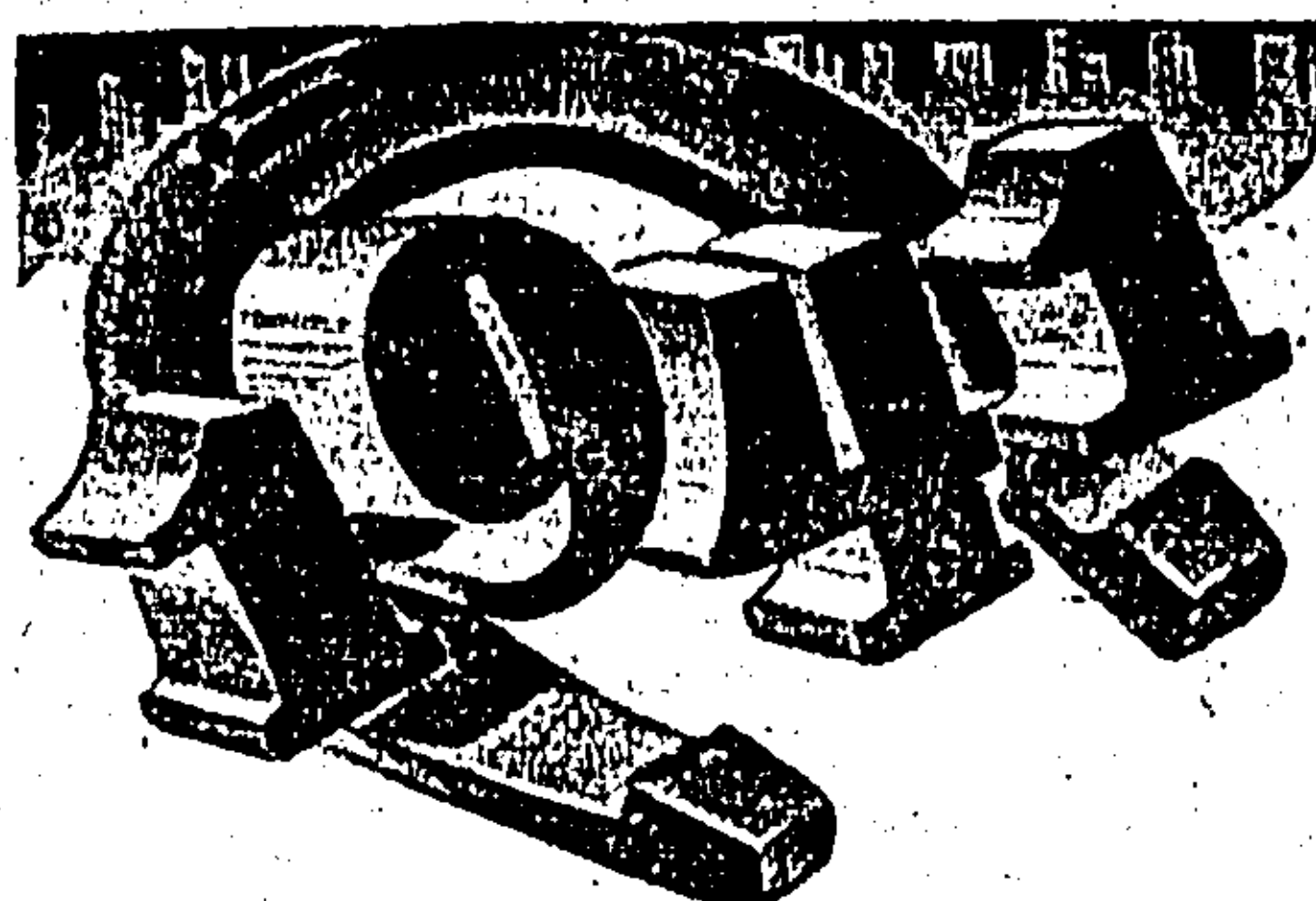
Arrangements are in hand for these swimmers to give an exhibition at the "Y" Pool on their return from the south.

### Bowls Match At Kowloon B.G.C.

The bowls match which has been arranged between the Sergeants' Mess of the Volunteers and the Kowloon Bowling Green Club will take place on Saturday, January 11 at 2.45 p.m. at Austin Road.

#### Intra-Club Game

The members of the Kowloon Bowling Green Club will be holding an intra-club bowls match on their green at 2.30 p.m. to-morrow, January 1, when members representing Scotland will meet the Rest.



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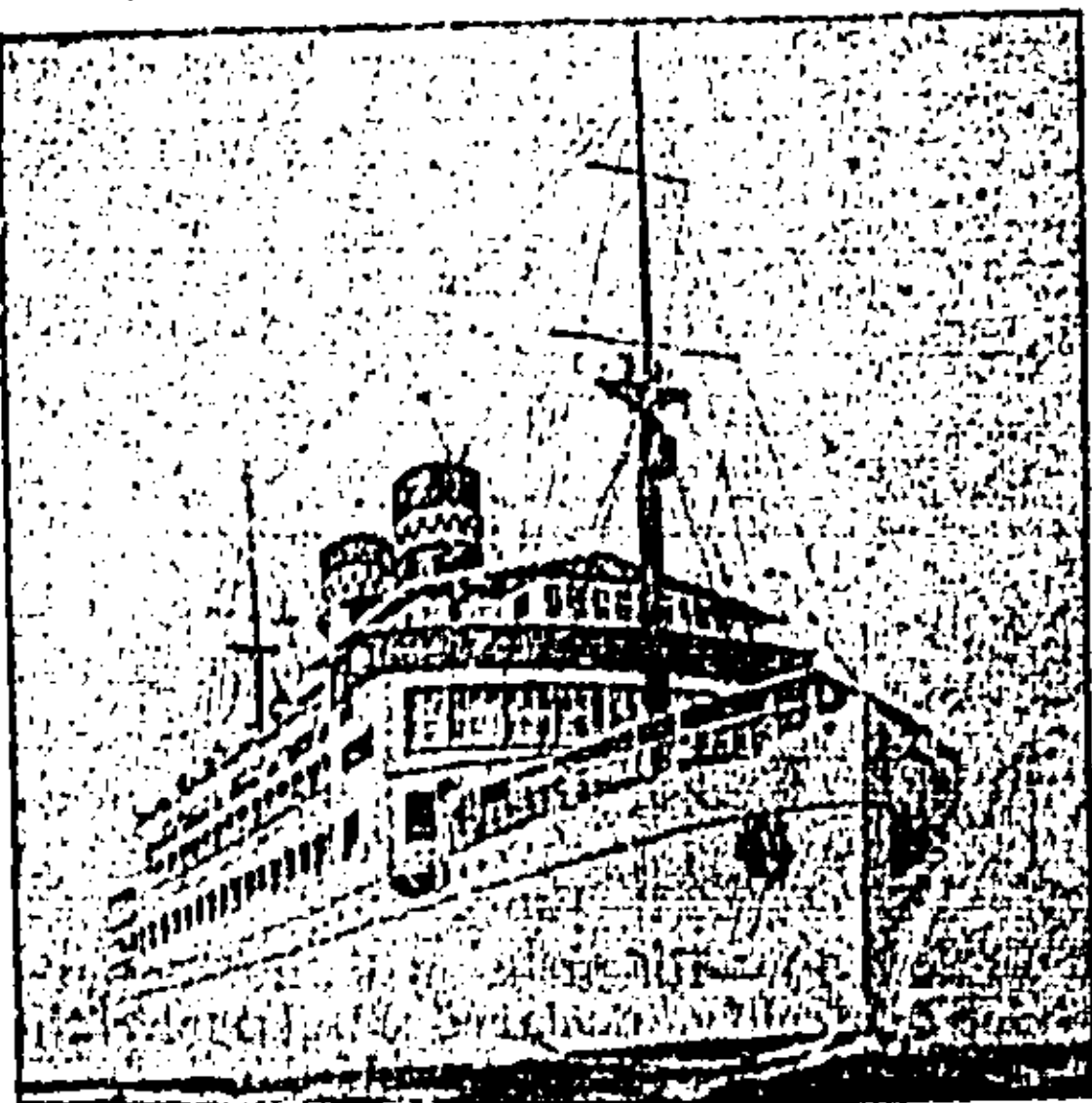
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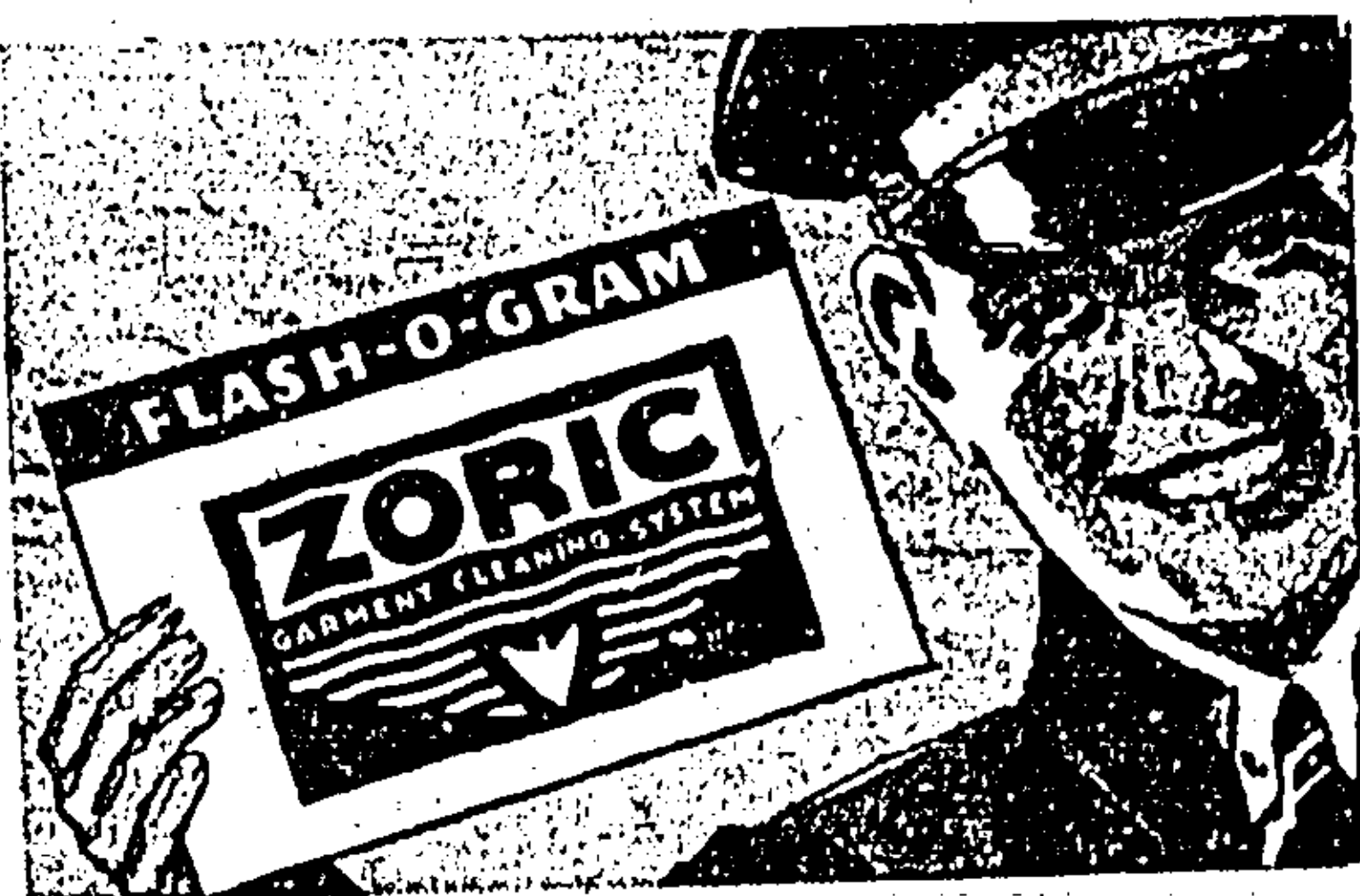


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# GERMAN THREATS OVER FILM

## Nazi Protest in Washington

THE first March of Time feature film, "The Ramparts We Watch," has brought strong protests, and threats from the German Embassy in Washington.

The protests were made by the Second Secretary of the Embassy, von Glenan, who objected to the use made of extracts from the German war film, "Baptism of Fire," which is the official German film of the invasion of Poland. Von Glenan was reported to be "really furious."

"Baptism of Fire" was shown at an official reception for the Norwegian Government just before the invasion of that country, and it has also been shown to invited audiences of officials and members of the Governments of Spain, Rumania and other countries which Germany wished to impress with the futility of opposing her mechanized legions.

Von Glenan demanded that the German extracts in "The Ramparts We Watch" be taken out, and threatened immediate reprisals against any March of Time employees in Germany or occupied territories and also legal proceedings in the United States.

**Threats Defied**  
The editors of the March of Time refused this censorship and stated that they would release the film as they saw fit. There are no March of Time employees in Germany or the occupied countries at the moment.

The producer, Mr. Louis de Rochemont, notified the German Embassy that he "would welcome a showdown on Germany's indirect censorship of American films," which had been increasing for the past two years.

Germany had tried to dictate what should or should not be shown in certain pictures, he said, and had refused to allow any German scene to be shown with anything related to England.

The German Propaganda Ministry had been perfectly willing to release extracts from "Baptism of Fire" until it discovered the adverse effect which they were having on American public opinion.

## King & Queen As Riveters

The King and Queen who visited a famous shipyard in the North-West of England drove rivets into the first keel plates of a warship to be built there. First the King and then the Queen used the hydraulic rivet press.

They spent two hours in a tour of the yard often with an escort of cheering workers. They first saw men and boys furnishing steel plates and bending ships frames.

Afterwards they walked on the shipways, where they saw two of the latest warships which are nearly ready to go out on duty. They went aboard, inspected the gun turrets, A.A. and submarine defences, and talked to the men who were putting the finishing touches to the ships.

The Royal tour began at a station where the King and Queen arrived after spending the night in the Royal Palace. It had been drawn up at a disused siding in a remote spot in Lancashire, and, although bombs fell within a few miles, there was no actual raid warning, and the King and Queen spent an undisturbed night.

## More Merchant Ships Sail Mediterranean

Britain's control of the Mediterranean and Red Seas is encouraging an increasing number of shipping companies to resume schedules between Alexandria and Mediterranean ports.

Eighteen merchant ships loaded with potatoes, fruit, oil and wines arrived in England Alexandria from Cyprus.

In addition, two ships loaded with coal arrived from England.

Egyptian maritime authorities are studying requests from a large number of shipping concerns to resume operations, lured by Italy's entry into the war. The companies are now convinced that, owing to the British Navy, traffic is now fairly safe.

## BRITAIN'S NEW M.T.B.'s

Great Britain now possesses the fastest small warships in the world. They are the latest of the Navy's motor-torpedo boats. Details of their speed and armament are secret, of course, but they are easily the fastest armed ships on water, their offensive power is as great as that of many bigger vessels, and their small size makes them a target almost impossible to hit.

M.T.B. service is one of the most popular branches of the Navy, to judge from the waiting-list of officers and ratings who want to join it (writes a Press Association special correspondent).

These M.T.B.s offer nothing in comfort, but a great deal of adventure, excitement, and danger. Shooting over and through waves at something like 50 miles an hour, with spray like a whip flected across my face, I began to appreciate how much courage is required. Inside the tiny hull engines producing thousands of horse-power thundered like half a dozen express trains.

The function of these vessels in the war at sea is similar to that of fighter aeroplanes in the air. They are in effect "sea Spitfires."

Noise, wetness, and terrific speed were my chief sensations on this trip. For such a strenuous existence men have to be young and unusually fit. Thirty is the average age-limit for an officer, 35 for a rating. They are nearly all volunteers.

## Chemist Fined £1,000

Hyman Liss, 32, wholesale chemist, of Connaught Gardens, Muswell Hill, N., was at Bow Street Police Court recently fined £1,000 and ordered to pay 50 guineas costs by Mr Fry for failing to offer 800 sovereigns for sale to the Treasury. He pleaded "Guilty."

Mr F. D. Barry, for the Director of Public Prosecutions, said it was suggested that there had been a deliberate attempt to evade the regulations. Liss was in partnership with two brothers. On July 24 the Bank of England wrote that there was reason to believe that he had not complied with the regulations and asking for particulars of foreign currency, securities, and gold in his possession or under his control.

He replied that he had none. The Bank got to know that he had 800 sovereigns and again wrote to him. He then admitted that he had bought the sovereigns at 35s. 7d. in August, 1939.

He offered them to the Treasury at the price he paid, but they gave him the market value, about £1,000. He thus made a profit of £140.

## 'Exuberance Of Verbosity'

In the Legislative Council of Perth (W.A.) Mr C. Baxter recently took the Minister of Justice (Mr Nulsen) to task for having applied the term "gerontocracy" to members of the Legislative Council.

"Gerontocracy" means government by old men.

Mr Baxter said he would not use words not in general use, but he would characterize Mr. Nulsen as a cloud-pated dolt for his slighting reference to a body of men doing excellent work.



DRAFT No. 1.—Blindfolded Secretary of War Henry L. Stimson holds first draft capsule drawn from fish bowl, U. S. War Department Auditorium, Washington. It was No. 158. He is about to hand capsule to President Roosevelt, left.

## £12,000 Claim Against Bookmaker Dismissed

The Court of Appeal, London, recently dismissed without costs the appeal by Mr Bernard William Mason, a city company director, of Berkeley Street, against a decision of Mr Justice Stable, dismissing his claim for the return of £12,000 from Mr Harry Parker, Ltd, Turf Accountants, and Mr Abraham Stein, otherwise known as Harry Parker, in connection with a £6000 each-way bet.

Mr Mason's case at the trial was that he was wrongfully induced to place the bet on his horse, Another Greek, which lost a race at Nottingham, by Mr Parker's representation that he could spread the bet in small amounts with a number of agents, so that the starting price would not be brought down. He maintained that Mr Parker had failed to do this. Mr Parker denied the allegations.

Lord Justice MacKinnon, giving judgment, said he doubted whether Mr Justice Stable was justified in finding that there was an express bargain between "this precious pair" that Parker should "square" the other jockeys in the race at Nottingham. The bargain was tainted with illegality, which was sufficient to make the transaction itself illegal, so that neither party could claim under it. His Lordship said he regretted that it was not possible for the Court to make Parker pay the £11,975 that was claimed as a deserving charity.

### No Squeamishness

Lord Justice Luxmoore, in his judgment, said that Mason had been referred to in the case as a "sportman," and reference was made to his interest in the "sport" of horse-racing. There was no scintilla of evidence to warrant the use of these phrases. Mason's object in buying and racing horses was to make money, and he was not hampered by any squeamishness as to the means to be employed to attain this end.

His Lordship said he did not think that Mr Justice Stable was justified in holding that it was part of the arrangement suggested by Parker and accepted by Mason that Parker should bribe jockeys in the race in which Another Greek was engaged. But the fact that Mason was willing to deal with Parker, after the conversation in which Parker said he could "square" jockeys, could leave little doubt in the mind of a normal person that Mason would have made no objection to such a suggestion.

He was satisfied that the arrangement to place bets with street bookmakers and to stage a fictitious bet was a criminal conspiracy in precisely the same way as a conspiracy to "rig" Stock Exchange prices had been held to be.

## Saw Every Derby For 60 Years

Mr Arthur F. B. Portman, 79, well known sporting journalist "Audax," was killed in a London air raid.

Mr Portman was editor and senior director of the "Horse and Hound" newspaper, for which he had written articles for 50 years. He had seen every Derby for more than 60 years.

## Nazis Want More Quislings

Reports from Oslo state that discussions on the recomposition of the new Nazi-sponsored Norwegian Government continue. The Reichs Commissioner, Terhoven, has gone to Berlin to submit a list of proposed Ministers for Hitler's approval.

The Germans demand the inclusion of a minimum of three National Assembly-Quisling party—members. Only one Nationalist, Dr. Gudbrand Lund, to be Minister of the Interior, is at present listed and the Germans say that a further two must be added to the exclusion of other candidates.

Fearing possible disturbances it is reported, they have waived a demand for the appointment of Quisling.

### German Control

Germany has undertaken full responsibility for Norway's defence and the maintenance of order. Foreign policy and foreign trade will be dictated from Berlin.

While the Nygaardsvold Government has been officially deposed by King Haakon's position has been left in abeyance until the Storting meets, which will not be before the restoration of peace.

## Keeping Troop Entertained

Regimental bands are to be made full use of during the winter season, and there will be other special efforts to entertain the troops.

Announcing this when opening an Information Bureau for H.M. Forces in Trafalgar-square, Mr Eden, Secretary for War, said that welfare work in the Services was necessary to fight boredom, to keep up fighting efficiency, and to develop the offensive spirit.

Radio sets, Mr Eden said, were in great demand. The Treasury had made them a grant of £200,000 for the purchase of sets.

## ITALIAN'S GIFT TO RED CROSS

The gratitude of aliens of certain categories who have been released from internment camps in Britain has found expression in various gestures of appreciation. Of these, few were more spontaneous than the gift of an Italian business man in Edinburgh to the Red Cross.

On leaving the Isle of Man, where he was interned, he wrote a cheque for the Red Cross. As a result, the Fund will benefit to the extent of £20 15s.

For many years this man has lived in Edinburgh with his wife and family. Some of his children were born in the country, and he enjoyed the friendship and respect of many people outside the Italian community. When Italy entered the war, however, he was interned, following the procedure adopted with classified enemy aliens.

He had always admired British law and order, and when he was released from the internment camp he was inspired to make the gift to the Red Cross as a mark of his appreciation of his treatment there.

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## Naval Base In Philippines

Manila, Dec. 20.

With the United States sending additional warships here as part of the general plans for strengthening the United States Pacific defences, the newspaper Tribune to-day reported that Naval authorities are planning to create a new naval base at Los Banos on Laguna Lake, 40 miles south of Manila. At present a powerful radio station is located at Los Banos.—Domec.

(It is learned from one acquainted with the area that the lake to which "Domec" refers is so shallow that only motor boats can navigate in it.)

## American Planes For China

Washington, Dec. 20.

Announcing the sale of 400 American planes to China, the New York Herald-Tribune quotes authoritative sources, including Rear Admiral Tower, as saying that China's needs must not be neglected and that 400 is the minimum number of aircraft needed.

Chinese representatives are at present in Washington stressing the Chinese need of modern war planes because of Japan's introduction of new type Messerschmitt pursuits. The Flying Fortresses will enable China to take the war to Japan in night raids.—United Press.

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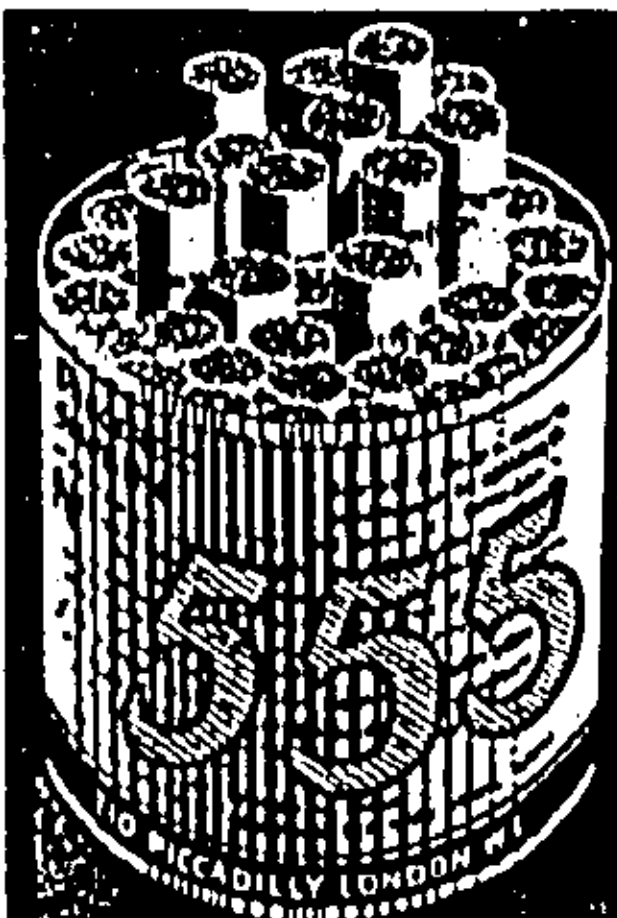
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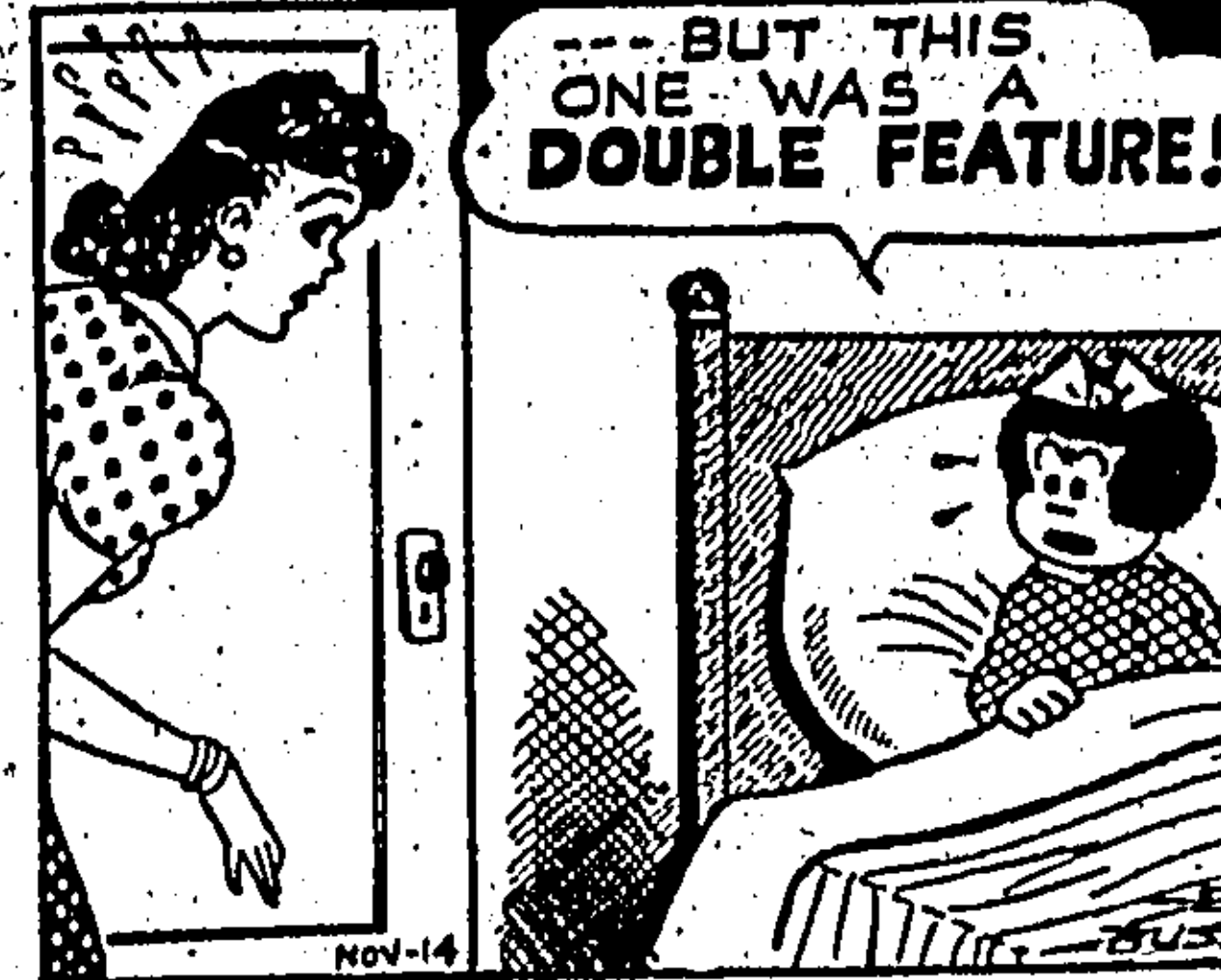
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NIGHTMARE--

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ONE WAS A  
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## Crossword Puzzle

By LARS MORRIS

## ACROSS

- 1—Artificial water-course (English)
- 2—Talk foolishly
- 3—Point of location
- 4—English queen
- 5—Grand chef
- 6—Artificial language (poet)
- 7—Begin
- 8—The Emerald Isle
- 9—Accompanying
- 10—Turn away from
- 11—Indo-European
- 12—Organ of hearing
- 13—Extremely angry
- 14—Imperialistic policy of early Soviet Russia
- 15—At no time
- 16—Title of polite address
- 17—Mad
- 18—Costume
- 19—Japanese coin
- 20—High cards
- 21—Decorated metal
- 22—Fast colorful
- 23—Small plant
- 24—Creative work
- 25—Mall
- 26—Chewing substance
- 27—Flavor
- 28—One who marches
- 29—Moving
- 30—Perverse
- 31—Appetizing aroma
- 32—Tying for freestyle

## ANSWERS TO PREVIOUS PUZZLE

ACROSS  
1—ARTIFICIAL  
2—TALK  
3—POINT  
4—QUEEN  
5—CHEF  
6—CONGO  
7—BEGIN  
8—EMERALD  
9—ACCOMPANY  
10—TURN  
11—INDO  
12—EAR  
13—ANGRY  
14—IMPERIAL  
15—AT NO  
16—MR  
17—MAD  
18—COSTUME  
19—YEN  
20—HIGH  
21—METAL  
22—FAST  
23—PLANT  
24—CREATIVE  
25—MALL  
26—CHewing  
27—FLAVOR  
28—MARCHER  
29—MOVING  
30—PERVERSE  
31—APPETIZING  
32—Tying

## DOWN

DOWN  
1—Not connected  
2—Combining  
3—In a short  
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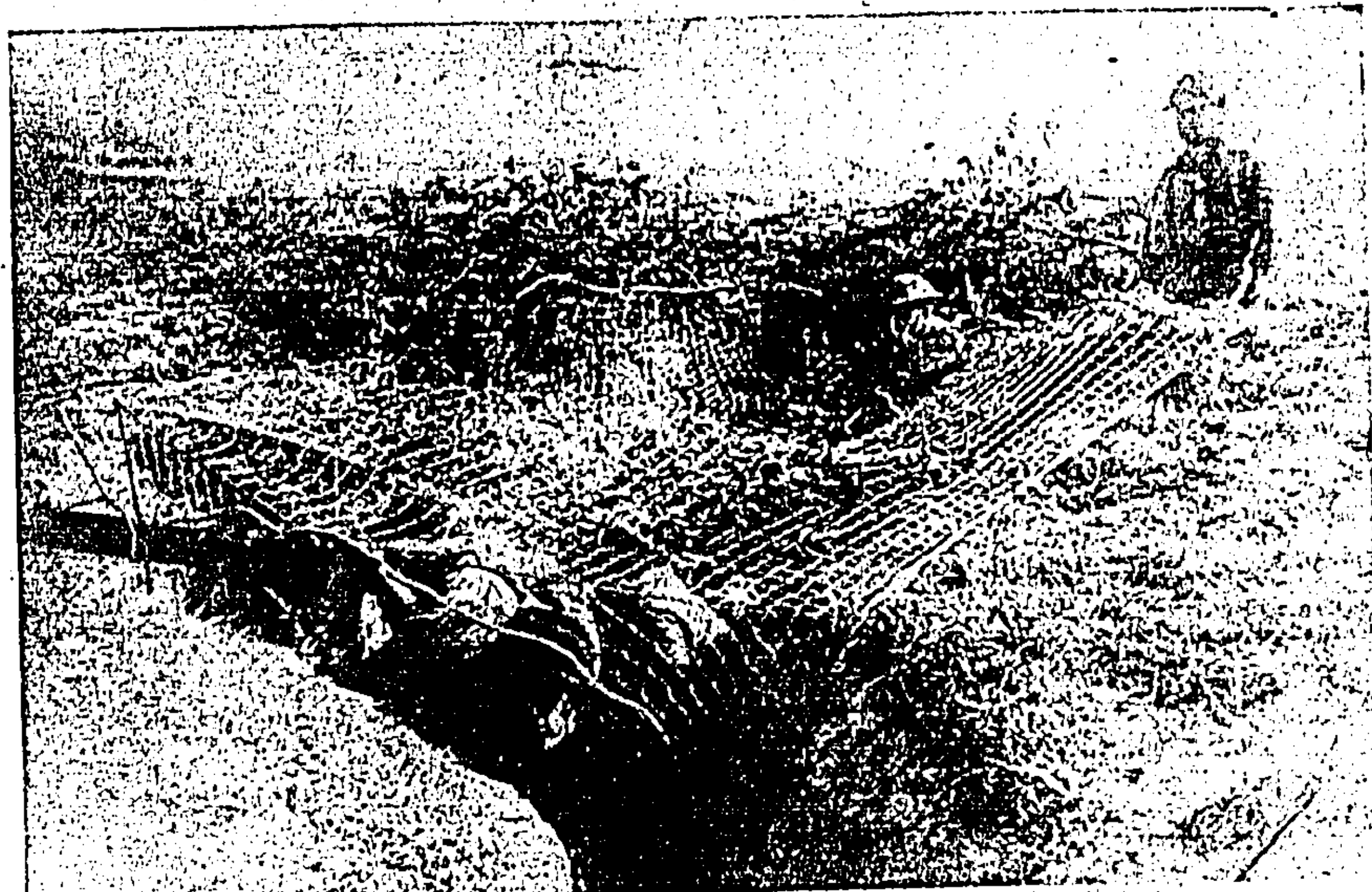
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- 3—Point of location
- 4—English queen
- 5—Grand chef
- 6—Artificial language (poet)
- 7—Begin
- 8—The Emerald Isle
- 9—Accompanying
- 10—Turn away from
- 11—Indo-European
- 12—Organ of hearing
- 13—Extremely angry
- 14—Imperialistic policy of early Soviet Russia
- 15—At no time
- 16—Title of polite address
- 17—Mad
- 18—Costume
- 19—Japanese coin
- 20—High cards
- 21—Decorated metal
- 22—Fast colorful
- 23—Small plant
- 24—Creative work
- 25—Mall
- 26—Chewing substance
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- 29—Moving
- 30—Perverse
- 31—Appetizing aroma
- 32—Tying for freestyle

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- 2—Combining forms
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- 4—Leaving a will
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- 6—German names

## INSIGHT INTO LOCAL DEFENCE TRAINING



**VOLUNTEERS IN TRAINING**—Valuable experience in modern warfare conditions was gained by Hongkong's Volunteers during their recent camps. The picture above shows men preparing to camouflage a trench. Leaves and shrubbery would be placed on top of the net. (Photo: Ming Yuen).

## FORD FAMILY RANKED WEALTHIEST IN AMERICA

The Securities and Exchange Commission's recent study of the United States' 200 largest non-financial corporations cites the Ford Motor Company as the "best example" of control by one family.

The report, prepared for the Monopoly Committee, shows that three members of the family—Henry Ford, his son, Edsel, and Edsel's wife, Mrs Clara J. Ford—own all of the stock, and in so doing rank as the wealthiest family owners of corporation stock in America.

The Ford company stock had a book value of \$624,975,000 on December 31, 1937. It comprises two issues of common stock, in both of which Henry Ford owns a majority. Edsel is the next largest owner. The family owns a very small part through the Ford Foundation.

The de Pont family, with \$573,690,000 holdings mainly in the Runt de Ponture Company and the United States Rubber Company, ranked as the second wealthiest stockholders among the corporations studied.

**Rockefellers and Mellons**  
Other large family holdings, with the total value of issues covered by the survey and the corporations in which they have their main interest, follow:

The Rockefeller family, \$306,593,000, Standard Oil Company (New Jersey), (Indiana), and of California, and Socony Vacuum Oil Company, Inc.; Mellon family \$390,000,000, Gulf Oil Corporation, Aluminum Company of America, and Koppers United Company; McCormick family, \$111,020,000, International Harvester Company; Hart family, \$105,702,000, Great Atlantic & Pacific Tea Company of America; Harkness family, \$104,801,000, Standard Oil Company (New Jersey), (Indiana), and of California, and Socony Vacuum Oil; Duke family, \$89,455,000, Power Company; Aluminum Company of America; Liggett & Myers Tobacco; Few family, \$75,028,000, Sun Oil Company; Pittsfield family, \$65,570,000, Pittsburgh Plate Glass Company; Clark family \$57,215,000, Singer Manufacturing Company; Reynolds family, \$54,760,000, R. J. Reynolds Tobacco Company; Kress family, \$50,044,000, S. H. Kress & Company.

**Hearst's Control**  
The SEC noted that it was not possible to determine the market value of the Ford stock since it is not traded in, but added that the market value was more likely to be less than to be higher than the book value. The report noted that in most of the cases the market value was given as of December 31, 1937.

As an example of what it termed "complete control not merely by one family but by one individual," the SEC noted that Hearst Consolidated Publications Inc., was owned by William Randolph Hearst through his ownership of Hearst Corporation and American Newspapers, Inc.

Out of the 200 corporations studied, only about 60 were found to be without "a visible centre of ownership control." Lack of a definite centre of control was "rare among utilities companies, the study said, with only four of 48 corporations listed in that category.

## Socialist's Liaison Plan

A scheme for the appointment of committees of members of Parliament to assist Government departments and constructively to criticize policy is being advocated in the lobbies of the House of Commons.

The idea emanates from Socialist members. The committees would have an old party basis and would be comprised of members who are keenly interested in given subjects. They would be consultative and not executive in character, but it is claimed that they would relieve Ministers of some of their duties and expedite business.

Last September a number of front bench Socialist M.P.s were appointed to maintain contact with Government departments so as to give the maximum assistance in the prosecution of the war.

Since Socialist members have joined the Government the scheme has largely fallen into abeyance, although a few leading Socialists still maintain contact with Ministries on behalf of their party.

## SMUGGLER HAD £30,000 ROUND HIS NECK

Although diamonds are a prohibited export in the Union, the South African diamond industry is booming.

There are ways of dodging legislation. It is possible to go to America on business with a few diamonds in one's pocket, and these find a ready sale across the Atlantic.

One man who left the Union recently was said to have had diamonds worth tens of thousands of pounds on him. He paid as much as £3,000 for one stone, says the Associated Press.

A necklace provides a convenient means of eluding the Customs. A recent instance was that of a passenger, a man, who left the country with a £30,000 diamond on a chain round his neck.

Now diamond-cutting shops have sprung up in Johannesburg, despite the fact that there were already dozens of old-established businesses, and old diamond diggers are getting a new lease of life.

## "PRESENT" OF BUTTER FROM DUBLIN

The Marchioness of Sligo, of Upper Belgrave Street, S.W., pleaded "Guilty" before Mr Ronald Powell at the Westminster Police Court recently to a summons for obtaining lb. of butter for household consumption in contravention of the Rationing Order.

Mr Vernon Gattie, prosecuting, said the matter came to notice through the interception of a letter written by the defendant to a friend in Dublin. This ran: "I do so appreciate your present. If you will be able to send another present please address . . . I enclose £1. Please keep an account against me." That letter was sent to the Ministry of Food, and Lady Sligo was seen by an inspector. She made an extremely frank statement and said she did not know she had done anything illegal in obtaining butter in that way.

Mr Melford Stevenson, defending, said Lady Sligo wished him to express her unqualified regret. Her statement to the inspector was made with the most ruthless frankness and she did not conceal anything.

The Magistrate—I can hardly accept the suggestion that this was a present. There will be a fine of 40s., with £3 3s costs.

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**AIR RAID** — The R.A.F. is striking hard at German industries and here a bombing flight begins. First, left, a line of 250-pound bombs is hauled to the bomber. Then the "eggs" are stowed in plane's belly, below. Fully loaded, above, a bomber soars off in search of Nazi target.

## Conference of Labour Women

# Must Plan Now For New Better World

Women want a better world to emerge from the wreckage of war. This was the keynote of the presidential address which Miss Grace Colman gave at the opening session of the National Conference of Labour Women at Southport.

There were 300 delegates, representing Labour women's organisations in all parts of the kingdom.

"Some people think," said Miss Colman, "that our sole purpose in this war is to defeat Hitler and Mussolini, and that having done so they can return comfortably to their pre-war lives."

"But things cannot be the same again. We are fighting this war, not only to destroy a vile thing, but so that on its ruins we may build a better world, worthy of the great sacrifices made."

### Ordinary People

"This war will have been won by ordinary people in the fighting services and in the factories, and by women who have kept their homes going in the face of great difficulty. Never again must their interests be sacrificed to those of the so-called Government classes. Social and political inequality must go."

"Whatever the war may do, we must see to it that the essential social services, especially those concerned with the health and education of children, are maintained and expanded. An underfed and uneducated people cannot build a better world."

Miss Mary Sutherland, Chief Woman Officer of the Labour Party, read to the conference a message of goodwill from women's representatives of the Social Democratic Movement in European countries.

### London Homeless

Mrs Barbara Ayrton Gould, bringing greetings from the Labour Party Executive, said that the Labour representatives in the Government were doing magnificent work.

"If we had not gone into the Government when we did we should not be speaking here to-day."

"But we are not the Government, we are only in the Government, and our Ministers can only do as much as public opinion enables them to do."

"The position of the homeless in London has been a scandal. We have been kicking and trying to get something done."

"Finally, after weeks of disgraceful inaction, public opinion was worked up to such an extent that Herbert Morrison was put in instead of Sir John Anderson."

Conference passed an emergency resolution endorsing the declaration of the Labour Party that a lasting peace may be brought nearer by stating clearly our immediate war purpose.

### Billet Dodgers

During discussion on evacuation problems, Miss Susan Lawrence, referring to billeting, said:

"I want to see the large houses taking their share with the smaller houses, and they are not doing it."

"The billeting officers in some localities are up against the force of the feudal system."

The conference demanded that the Ministry of Food should fix prices of all essential foods at a level within the reach of all workers.

Miss Mary Sutherland described some of the broadcasts about food as "a pain in the neck," and the B.B.C. talks about cookery were criticised as "foolish."

## MILITARY HONOURS FOR TEDDY

The Royal Canadian Dragoons' last horse, "Teddy," a veteran of the last war, has been shot at St. John's, Quebec, and was later buried with military honours. The Dragoons are now a mechanised unit.

## China's New Year Hopes Increased U.S. Aid

CHUNGKING, Dec. 31 (Reuter).—"In 1941 the United States will increase her assistance to China and Britain."

"The Neutrality and the Johnson Acts cannot prevent the United States from assisting the democracies; in fact, there is a possibility that both laws will be repealed or revised," declares Dr. Chang Chung-fu, the well-known authority on international affairs, in a special article published in the "Central Daily News," official organ of the Government.

Dr. Chang, who was formerly head of the Political Science Department of the Peiping University and is now Counsellor to the National Military Council, continues:

"Before an outbreak of war between the United States and Japan, it is possible that the former, aside from the embargo on exports to Japan and assistance to China, will control imports and increase pressure on Japan. The production of armaments will increase in the United States."

The British rearmament programme will be completed and Britain's aircraft production may match or even exceed Germany's. Then the European situation may take a new turn."

## MENACED FOR MONEY

### Racketeers Caught

"There is too much of this racketeering going on. You will go to prison for six months each and be recommended for banishment," said Mr. E. Hunsworth at the Kowloon Magistracy this morning after three men had been convicted by him for demanding money by menace.

Defendants were Wan Ki-chan, 23, Yu Pak-sang, 23 both unemployed, and Leung Hoi-wai, 32, a tailor. They were found guilty of demanding money with menace from Ho Wah, 24, master of the Wah On Shirt Makers, of Canton Road, on November 23.

Ho said that Wan went to him on November 23 and said a person named Lau was looking for him at the Nanking Cafe. On arriving at the Cafe, they were joined by three other persons which included Yu and Leung. He was then told by Yu that they knew of an affair he had had with one of his female workers, and a demand of \$100 was made.

### Demand Reduced

He was told that if the money was not paid, steps would be taken to get it. The sum of \$100 was later reduced to \$30, and arrangements made to pay \$10 at once.

A report was made to the Mong-kok Police Station the next day, and after payment of \$10 was made to Yu, the Police stepped in and arrested defendants.

Evidence of arrest was given by Detective Lo Kuen. Wan and Yu denied demanding the money, and said that it was given to them willingly by Ho. Leung claimed that he knew nothing about it at all.

After defendants had been convicted, Sgt. W. G. Morrison said that there was nothing known against them, but all admitted being members of a Triad Society. He asked the Magistrate to take a serious view of the case.

## Arms Loan To China & Greece Possible

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH". WASHINGTON, Dec. 30 (UP).—Mr. Henry Morgenthau, Secretary of the Treasury, indicated to-day that President Roosevelt may extend the arms loan and lease plan to China and Greece as well as Britain. "The proposal might apply to anybody," he declared.

## Fire Raid On London

### German Account

LONDON, Dec. 30 (Reuter).—Streets and factories are mentioned as military objectives by the German radio, commenting on Sunday night's air raid on London.

The announcer said that as visibility was good, important successes were obtained. Many huge fires are stated to have been caused and an uninterrupted series of explosions, said the announcer, could be heard all over the city.

He added that although the attack was only of a short duration, it was pressed home by strong formations and "came as a surprise so that the Luftwaffe sustained no losses."

## Peak Gardener Fined

### Borrowed Saw; Cut Tree

Employed as a gardener at 174, The Peak, Ho Kau, 36, was charged before Mr. K. M. A. Barnett at Central Magistracy this morning with being in unlawful possession of a pine tree worth \$25.

It was said that Ho was found with the tree on a hillside near Mount Kellett and he also had with him a saw said to be the property of Sir Robert Ho Tung. Apparently, the defendant had borrowed it from a friend. Ho had been in Hongkong for 15 years and earned \$20 a month. He was fined \$50 or 10 weeks' hard labour.

### Women Bound Over

Five women charged with possession of tree wood were each placed on a year's bond of \$10 by Mr. H. G. Sheldon, K.C.. One woman averred that she had food but had no firewood and that was why she had taken the pine wood.

Another woman said that her children were almost starving.

## Greetings From Sir Geoffrey Northcote

The following telegram has been received by His Excellency the Officer Administering the Government from His Excellency Sir G. A. S. Northcote, K.C.M.G.:

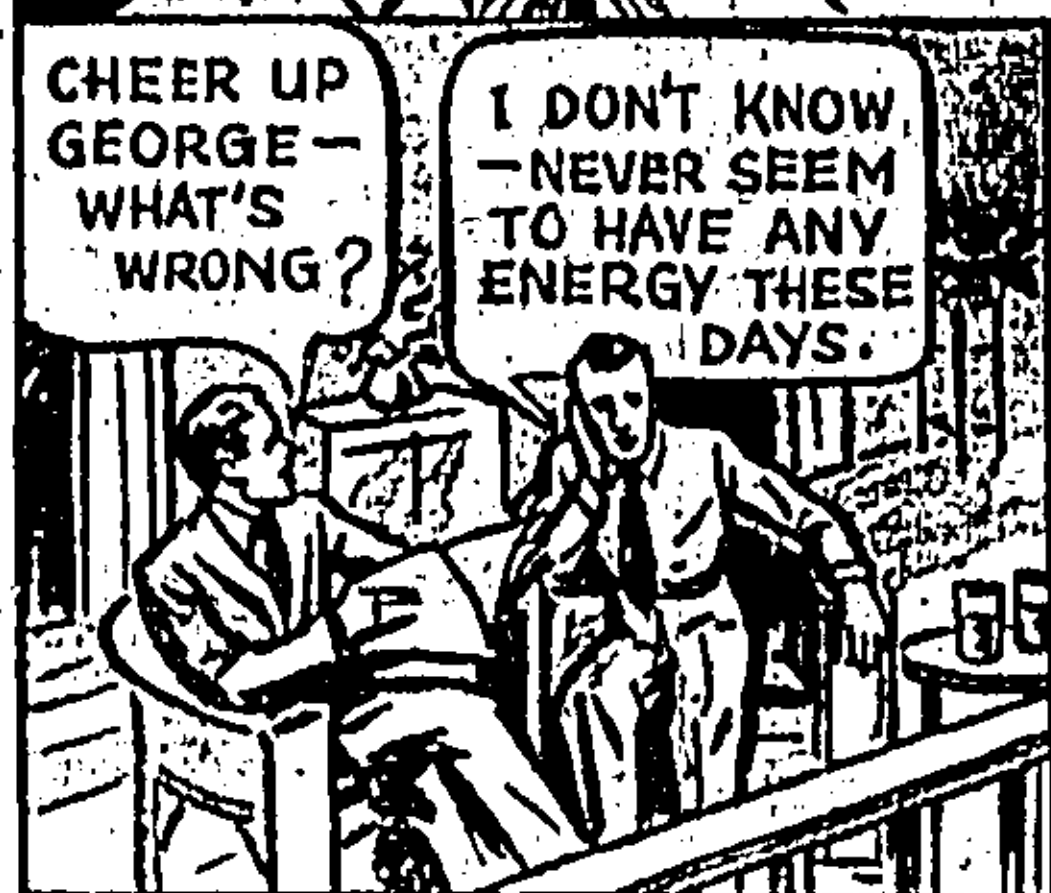
Please accept on behalf of yourself and all in the Colony my warmest good wishes for Christmas and 1941.

## EURASIA PLANE DESTROYED

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH". CHUNGKING, Dec. 30 (UP).—It is learned that one of the Eurasia Aviation Corporation's Junker transport planes was machine-gunned, set afire, and completely destroyed by Japanese planes this noon. The plane was grounded in a civil airfield. There were no casualties.



# NEWSPAPER REPORTER NEARLY LET HIS EDITOR DOWN



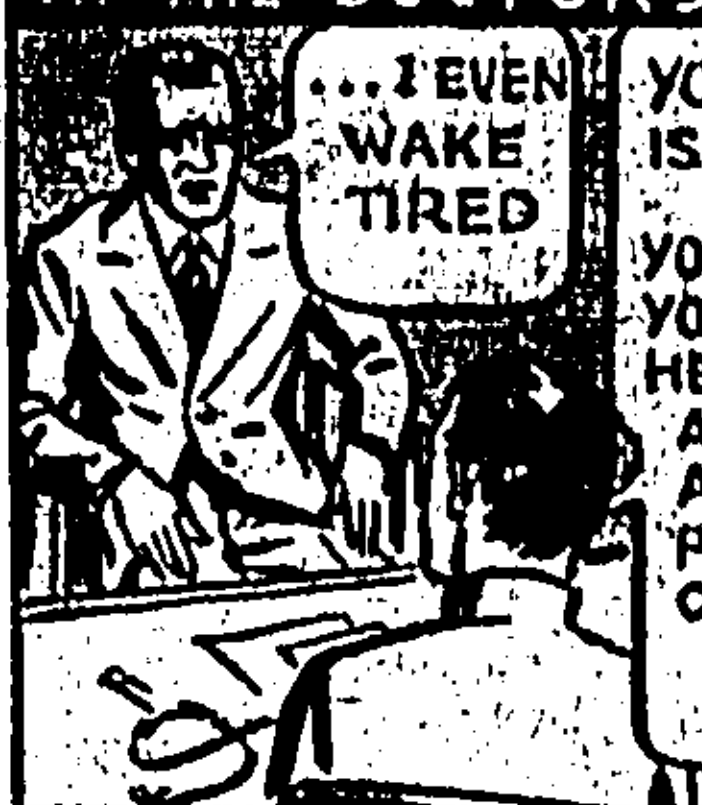
CHEER UP GEORGE—WHAT'S WRONG?

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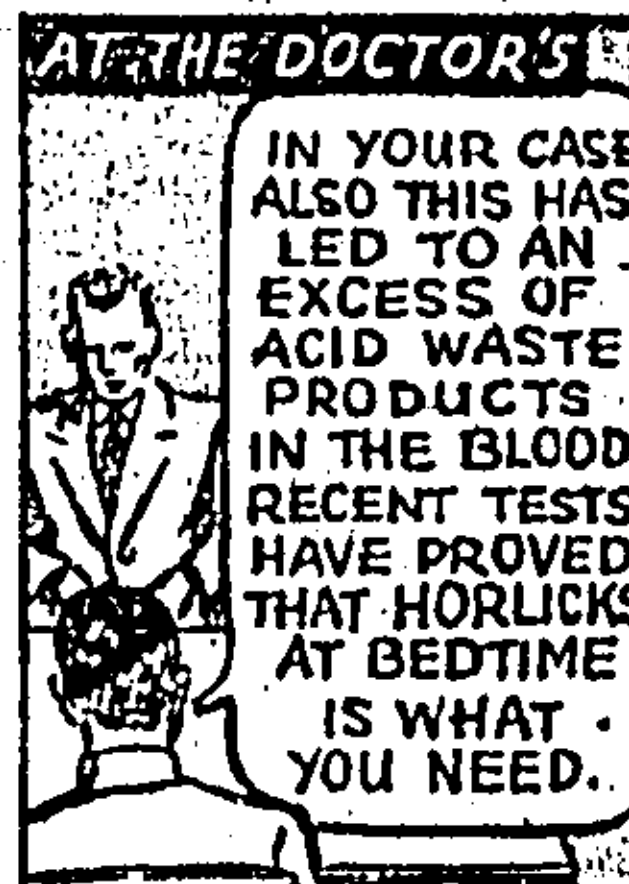
IF THIS IS THE BEST YOU CAN DO GONES, I'LL HAVE TO ASSIGN YOU TO LESS IMPORTANT EVENTS IN FUTURE.

SORRY SIR, I CERTAINLY SEEM TO HAVE LOST MY GRIP—I THINK I'LL SEE A DOCTOR.

### AT THE DOCTOR'S



YOUR TROUBLE IS NIGHT STARVATION. YOU SEE, WHILE YOU SLEEP, YOUR HEART, LUNGS, AND OTHER AUTOMATIC PROCESSES CONTINUE USING UP ENERGY.



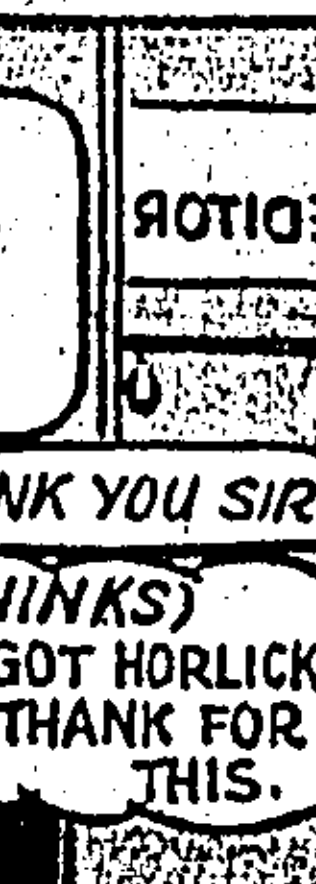
IN YOUR CASE ALSO THIS HAS LED TO AN EXCESS OF ACID WASTE PRODUCTS IN THE BLOOD. RECENT TESTS HAVE PROVED THAT HORLICKS AT BEDTIME IS WHAT YOU NEED.



TWO WEEKS LATER IT'S WONDERFUL HOW MUCH BETTER I FEEL ALREADY.



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THANK YOU SIR (THINKS) I'VE GOT HORLICKS TO THANK FOR THIS.

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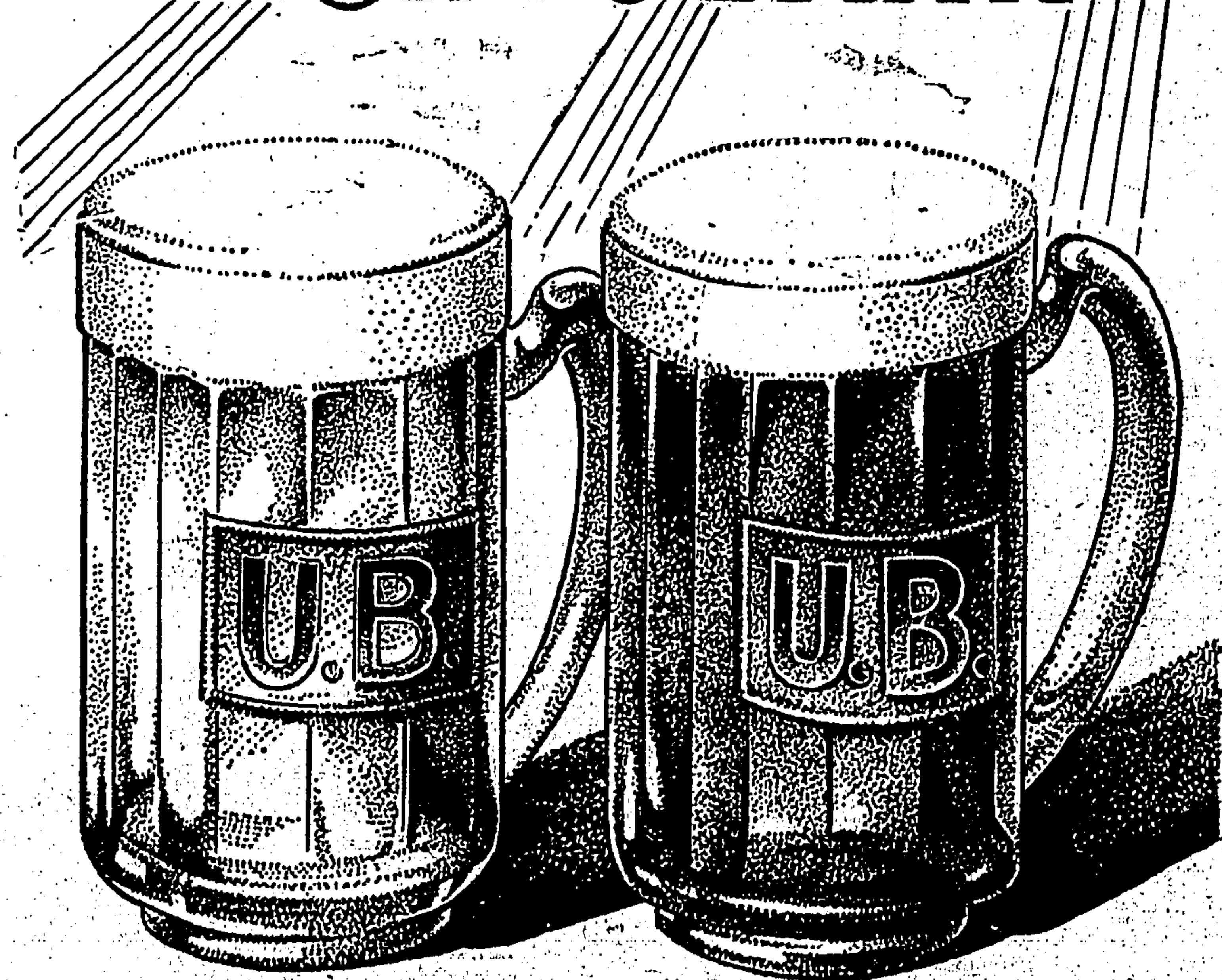
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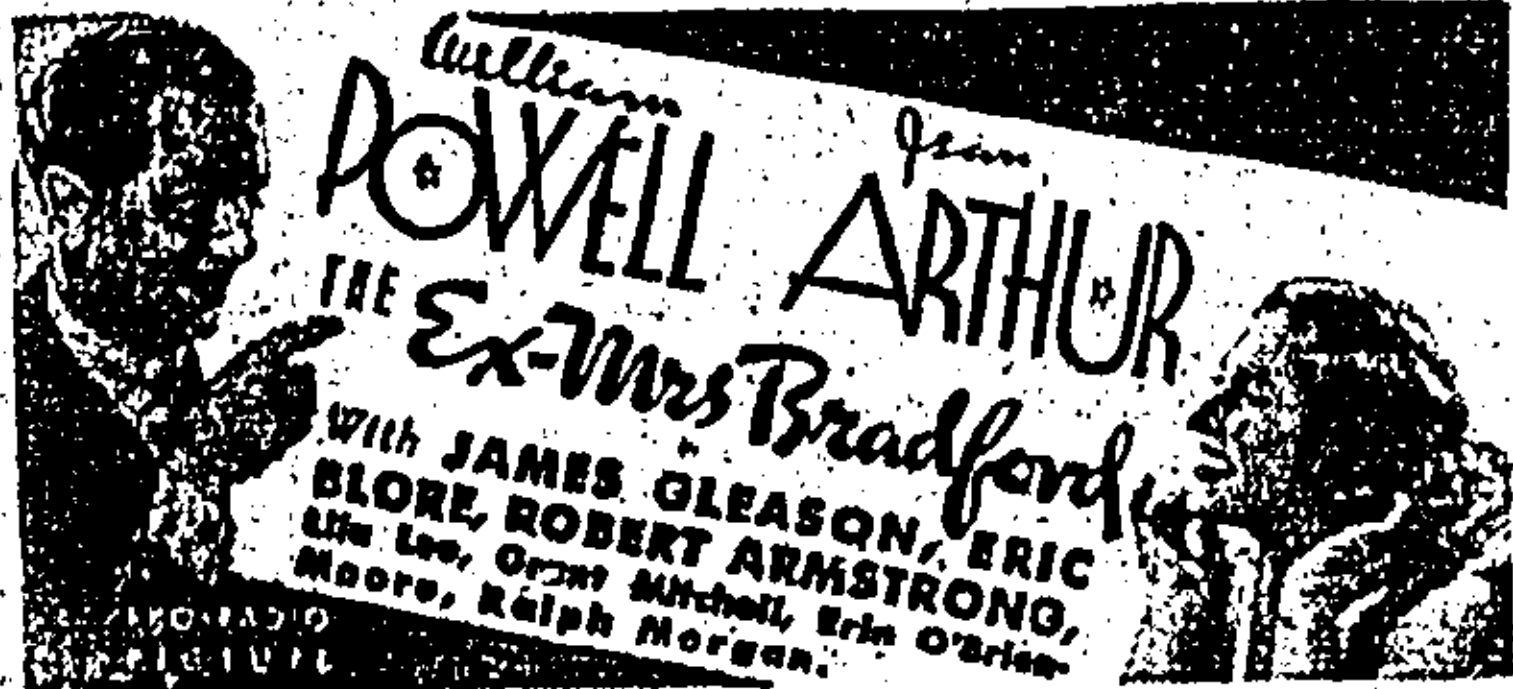
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## Chengtu Drome Raided By Japanese Aircraft

Special to the "Telegraph"

A JAPANESE NAVAL AIR BASE, Dec. 31. (Domei).—Twenty-nine grounded Chinese aeroplanes were set on fire and 11 others damaged by bombing when a combat formation of Japanese Naval aircraft swooped down upon the Chengtu aerodrome on Monday afternoon, the Press Bureau of the Japanese Fleet in Central China announced in a communique last night.

Three of 18 craft set on fire were large transports or bombers and the remainder were smaller combat and reconnaissance machines while those damaged were smaller craft.

Despite violent anti-aircraft fire, all Japanese machines' crews returned to their bases unharmed, the communique stated.

A raid was also carried out against Enshih, Chinese military base southwest of Ichang, in Hupeh Province where three fires were started.

## Losses And Thefts

Sapper Baycock of Wellington Barracks reports that he lost from his box a gold finger ring valued at \$70, some time between December 15 and 22.

Mrs Wilson of 297, Prince Edward Road, lost money and clothing valued at \$468.70, from her house.

Mrs. Headmistress of the Heep Yuen School in Kowloon, reported the loss of a motor pump valued at \$50.

Mr Houghton of 52, Broadwood Road, lost a wrist watch valued at \$70.

Mr D. G. Way of 353, The Peak, reported the loss of a marble clock valued at \$130 from his residence.

Mr. R. H. Woodman of 555, The Peak, lost clothing and a telescope valued at \$58.

## China May Get 100's Of U.S. War Planes

FROM PAGE ONE

six months but I doubt whether they could have received more."

He said that the meeting of Mr Purvis with President Roosevelt and himself was for the purpose of "informing me what he had learned regarding Britain's needs."

Unofficial quarters close to the Government are of the opinion that the United States feels that China has outlasted Japan and therefore, her position is more favourable than that of Britain. China could presumably use the older United States planes since Japan lacks the latest and fastest planes, and is reported to have only mediocre grades of gasoline.

Mr Purvis said that the President's plan "opened a new chapter" in America's programme and added: "I await the opinion of Congress."

He said that today he discussed the general aspects of matters of supply but presented no new list of British needs.

## One Nazi Division Arrives In Albania

FROM PAGE ONE

were captured including an entire battalion of officers and men."

Strategic Position Captured SOFIA, Dec. 30. (UP).—The Greek radio announced: "Along the coast, Greek troops occupied many villages and fortifications, as well as a height that is most important strategically, as it blocked the way of advance toward Valona."

"The fate of this port will be decided soon."

"On the Kilsura front, the Greeks captured a number of prisoners and much war material. They occupied the northern heights of Kilsura. On this front our troops are advancing north of Pogrdet."

## HITLER MAY REPLY TO SPEECH

FROM PAGE ONE

ident Roosevelt's talk in which it is also stated that the overwhelming majority of the country will agree wholeheartedly with his central thesis that victory of the Axis Powers would mean a "new and terrible era."

"The New York Herald-Tribune" describes the address as a "high call to action" and says that the President's aim to see the facts as they are is the one guiding aim of all those who have been urging the American people to send aid to Britain.

Treated With Reserve LONDON, Dec. 30. (Reuter).—The Lyons Radio to-night treated President Roosevelt's speech with great care.

Comment was that the speech was "as important as had been expected" and that the intensity of the statement that nothing would stop American aid to Britain "goes beyond the limits of official style and is certain to arouse passionate comment all over the world."

Extracts of the speech were quoted by the Lyons Radio but the quotations were remarkable for the fact that many references to National Socialists and their policies were omitted; the summary given was that issued by the German official news agency.

Italian Comment LONDON, Dec. 30. (Reuter).—

"Roosevelt pretends that America is menaced by the Axis," says the "Giornale d'Italia," adding that the Axis Powers have been tolerant up to now, but there is a limit to tolerance.

The war, says the newspaper, is being fought to liberate Europe from British domination. It asserts that Britain cannot win the war and that American help would be "sheer waste and not without some risk to herself."

Japanese Criticism TOKYO, Dec. 30. (Reuter).—The assertion that President Roosevelt's policy is driving the United States closer to war is made by the Japanese newspaper, "Yomiuri Shimbun."

President Roosevelt's statement that he believed that the Axis Powers were going to win the war was dismissed by the "Yomiuri Shimbun" as "utterly irresponsible" and the newspaper adds that whatever the situation may be in the coming year, the responsibility must be borne partly by the United States.

## FIRE RAID TO INVASION

FROM PAGE ONE

noon thousands of office workers, whose jobs were endangered by the destruction of their offices, proceeded to their homes in the suburbs.

Churchill Tours City LONDON, Dec. 30. (UP).—Mr and Mrs Winston Churchill toured the damaged areas of the city this afternoon, walking amid the debris. They were followed by a huge crowd, cheering and waving hats.

No Raids Last Night LONDON, Dec. 30. (UP).—Early morning reports indicated there was no night raiding on Britain prior to mid-night, but it is estimated that another "ten square" block, mostly dwellings, were burned outside the square mile city area in the previous night's raids.

## STOCK MARKET REPORT

Hongkong Stock Exchange Official Summary, issued yesterday says: Although quiet conditions ruled to-day's market, the undertone remained steady.

Buyers Bank of East Asia \$74 Canton Ins. \$200 H.K. Fire Ins. \$157.50

Wharves \$93 Providents \$5.70 Lands \$34

Trams \$17.70 Star Ferries \$61 Yauwai Ferries \$24

Electricity "O" \$40 Electric "N" \$30.00 Sandakan Lights \$11.40

Ropes \$7.05 Watsons \$10.55 Entertainments \$7

Constructions "O" \$1.60 Sellers

Wharves \$95 Trams \$18 Dairy \$10

Watsons \$10.70 Vibro Piling \$7.70 Sales

H.K. Govt. 3½% Loan (1034) 94 Providents \$5.70

Hotels \$3.00 Lands \$34 Trams \$17.70

Lights \$1.25 Dairy Farms \$18.75/60 Watsons \$10.55

## LATE NEWS

## ORIENTAL THEATRE

TO-DAY — TO-MORROW — THURSDAY  
MOST FANTASTIC OF ALL HAIR RAISING SPECTACLES!

## GREATEST THRILLS on EARTH

WONDERS NEVER BEFORE BEHELD BY MAN!  
It Took a Million Years to Bring You this Staggering Spectacle of the World at the Dawn of Time!

SEE! Man Earth's Valuable Invention Ever Made! Man and Beasts Engaged in His Fleeting Love!

SEE! The First Prehistoric Men and Beasts Engaged in Their Fleeting Love!

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## QUEEN'S & ALHAMBRA

AT 2.30-5.15-7.20-9.30 TEL 56856

FINAL SHOWINGS TO-DAY  
IT'S DARING! IT'S DELIGHTFUL!  
They Traded Lessons in French for Lessons in Love When a Beautiful Girl Became the Teacher!

Leap Year's Funniest Romance from the Broadway hit that had New York howling!

Paramount presents  
RAY MILLAND  
ELLEN DREW  
"FRENCH WITHOUT TEARS"

TO-MORROW — GRAND NEW YEAR SHOW

A STREAMLINED MUSICAL SENSATION!  
Positively the Biggest, Most Tuneful "B'way Melody" of 'Em All.

FRED ASTAIRE  
CLEOPHIE POWELL  
"THE WORLD'S GREATEST DANCERS... Together!"

BROADWAY MELODY 1940  
"THE WORLD'S GREATEST DANCERS... Together!"

TAKE ANY TRAM or HAPPY VALLEY BUS  
CATHAY

DAILY AT 2.30, 5.15, 7.20, & 9.30 P.M.  
MATINEES: 20c, 30c, 40c. EVENINGS: 20c, 30c, 40c, 50c, 70c, 80c.

TO-DAY, ONE DAY ONLY  
A GALAXY OF M-G-M SHORT SUBJECTS!  
ALL NEW! NEVER SHOWN BEFORE!

Metro-Goldwyn-Mayer presents  
LAUREL & HARDY  
Comedy Programme

Including  
Travelogue, Sportscope, Cartoons, Specialties, etc., etc.

COMMENCING TO-MORROW  
GRAND NEW YEAR'S ATTRACTION!

WALLACE BEERY  
THUNDER AFLOAT  
with CHESTER MORRIS and VIRGINIA GREY

CENTRAL  
DAILY AT 12.30, 5.15, 7.20 and 9.30 P.M.  
PRICES: 45c, 55c, 65c, 80c, 90c, 1.00, 1.20, 1.50, 2.00, 2.50, 3.00, 3.50, 4.00, 4.50, 5.00, 5.50, 6.00, 6.50, 7.00, 7.50, 8.00, 8.50, 9.00, 9.50, 10.00, 10.50, 11.00, 11.50, 12.00, 12.50, 13.00, 13.50, 14.00, 14.50, 15.00, 15.50, 16.00, 16.50, 17.00, 17.50, 18.00, 18.50, 19.00, 19.50, 20.00, 20.50, 21.00, 21.50, 22.00, 22.50, 23.00, 23.50, 24.00, 24.50, 25.00, 25.50, 26.00, 26.50, 27.00, 27.50, 28.00, 28.50, 29.00, 29.50, 30.00, 30.50, 31.00, 31.50, 32.00, 32.50, 33.00, 33.50, 34.00, 34.50, 35.00, 35.50, 36.00, 36.50, 37.00, 37.50, 38.00, 38.50, 39.00, 39.50, 40.00, 40.50, 41.00, 41.50, 42.00, 42.50, 43.00, 43.50, 44.00, 44.50, 45.00, 45.50, 46.00, 46.50, 47.00, 47.50, 48.00, 48.50, 49.00, 49.50, 50.00, 50.50, 51.00, 51.50, 52.00, 52.50, 53.00, 53.50, 54.00, 54.50, 55.00, 55.50, 56.00, 56.50, 57.00, 57.50, 58.00, 58.50, 59.00, 59.50, 60.00, 60.50, 61.00, 61.50, 62.00, 62.50, 63.00, 63.50, 64.00, 64.50, 65.00, 65.50, 66.00, 66.50, 67.00, 67.50, 68.00, 68.50, 69.00, 69.50, 70.00, 70.50, 71.00, 71.50, 72.00, 72.50, 73.00, 73.50, 74.00, 74.50, 75.00, 75.50, 76.00, 76.50, 77.00, 77.50, 78.00, 78.50, 79.00, 79.50, 80.00, 80.50, 81.00, 81.50, 82.00, 82.50, 83.00, 83.50, 84.00, 84.50, 85.00, 85.50, 86.00, 86.50, 87.00, 87.50, 88.00, 88.50, 89.00, 89.50, 90.00, 90.50, 91.00, 91.50, 92.00, 92.50, 93.00, 93.50, 94.00, 94.50, 95.00, 95.50, 96.00, 96.50, 97.00, 97.50, 98.00, 98.50, 99.00, 99.50, 100.00, 100.50, 101.00, 101.50, 102.00, 102.50, 103.00, 103.50, 104.00, 104.50, 105.00, 105.50, 106.00, 106.50, 107.00, 107.50, 108.00, 108.50, 109.00, 109.50, 110.00, 110.50, 111.00, 111.50, 112.00, 112.50, 113.00, 113.50, 114.00, 114.50, 115.00, 115.50, 116.00, 116.50, 117.00, 117.50, 118.00, 118.50, 119.00, 119.50, 120.00, 120.50, 121.00, 121.50, 122.00, 122.50, 123.00, 123.50, 124.00, 124.50, 125.00, 125.50, 126.00, 126.50, 127.00, 127.50, 128.00, 128.50, 129.00, 129.50, 130.00, 130.50, 131.00, 131.50, 132.00, 132.50, 133.00, 133.50, 134.00, 134.50, 135.00, 135.50, 136.00, 136.50, 137.00, 137.50, 138.00, 138.50, 139.00, 139.50, 140.00, 140.50, 141.00, 141.50, 142.00, 142.50, 143.00, 143.50, 144.00, 144.50, 145.00, 145.50, 146.00, 146.50, 147.00, 147.50, 148.00, 148.50, 149.00, 149.50, 150.00, 150.50, 151.00, 151.50, 152.00, 152.50, 153.00, 153.50, 154.00, 154.50, 155.00, 155.50, 156.00, 156.50, 157.00, 157.50, 158.00, 158.50, 159.00, 159.50, 160.00, 160.50, 161.00, 161.50, 162.00, 162.50, 163.00, 163.50, 164.00, 164.50, 165.00, 165.50, 166.00, 166.50, 167.00, 167.50, 168.00, 168.50, 169.00, 169.50, 170.00, 170.50, 171.00, 171.50, 172.00, 172.50, 173.00, 173.50, 174.00, 174.50, 175.00, 175.50, 176.00, 176.50, 177.00, 177.50, 178.00, 178.50, 179.00, 179.50, 180.00, 180.50, 181.00, 181.50, 182.00, 182.50, 183.00, 183.50, 184.00, 184.50, 185.00, 185.50, 186.00, 186.50, 187.00, 187.50, 188.00, 188.50, 189.00, 189.50, 190.00, 190.50, 191.00, 191.50, 192.00, 192.50, 193.00, 193.50, 194.00, 194.50, 195.00, 195.50, 196.00, 196.50, 197.00, 197.50, 198.00, 198.50, 199.00, 199.50, 200.00, 200.50, 201.00, 201.50, 202.00, 202.50, 203.00, 203.50, 204.00, 204.50, 205.00, 205.50, 206.00, 206.50, 207.00, 207.50, 208.00, 208.50, 209.00, 209.50, 210.00, 210.50, 211.00, 211.50, 212.00, 212.50, 213.00, 213.50, 214.00, 214.50, 215.00, 215.50, 216.00, 216.50, 217.00, 217.50, 218.00, 218.50, 219.00, 219.50, 220.00, 220.50, 221.00, 221.50, 222.00, 222.50, 223.00, 223.50, 224.00, 224.50, 225.00, 225.50, 226.00, 226.50, 227.00, 227.50, 228.00, 228.50, 229.00, 229.50, 230.00, 230.50, 231.00, 231.50, 232.00, 232.50, 233.00, 233.50, 234.00, 234.50, 235.00, 235.50, 236.00, 236.50, 237.00, 237.50, 238.00, 238.50, 239.00, 239.50, 240.00, 240.50, 241.00, 241.50, 242.00, 242.50, 243.00, 243.50, 244.00, 244.50, 245.00, 245.50, 246.00, 246.50, 247.00, 247.50, 248.00, 248.50, 249.00, 249.50, 250.00, 250.50, 251.00, 251.50, 252.00, 252.50, 253.00, 253.50, 254.00, 254.50, 255.00, 255.50, 256.00, 256.50, 257.00, 257.50, 258.00, 258.50, 259.00, 259.50, 260.00, 260.50, 261.00, 261.50, 262.00, 262.50, 263.00, 263.50, 264.00, 264.50, 265.00, 265.50, 266.00, 266.50, 267.00, 267.50, 268.00, 268.50, 269.00, 269.50, 270.00, 270.50, 271.00, 271.50, 272.00, 272.50, 273.00, 273.50, 274.00, 274.50, 275.00, 275.50, 276.00, 276.50, 277.00, 277.50, 278.00, 278.50, 279.00, 279.50, 280.00, 280.50, 281.00, 281.50, 282.00, 282.50, 283.00, 283.50, 284.00, 284.50, 285.00, 285.50, 286.00, 286.50, 287.00, 287.50, 288.00, 288.50, 289.00, 289.50, 290.00, 290.50, 291.00, 291.50, 292.00, 292.50, 293.00, 293.50, 294.00, 294.50, 295.00, 295.50, 296.00, 296.50, 297.00, 297.50, 298.00, 298.50, 299.00, 299.50, 300.00, 300.50, 301.00, 301.50, 302.00, 302.50, 303.00, 303.50, 304.00, 304.50, 305.00, 305.50, 306.00, 306.50, 307.00, 307.50, 308.00, 308.50, 309.00, 309.50, 310.00, 310.50, 311.00, 311.50, 312.00, 312.50, 313.00, 313.50, 314.00, 314.50, 315.00, 315.50, 316.00, 316.50, 317.00, 31